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Religious groupings top Zionist election

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — Religiously oriented groups have captured the largest share of the Canadian seats at December's World Zionist Congress, at the expense of the traditional left- and right-wing Zionist parties.

Based on the results of the national elections conducted by the Canadian Zionist Federation this summer, Canada's 19 seats have been distributed as follows: United Torah Coalition, 5; Kadima-Canadian Council of Reform Zionists, 4; Labor Zionist Movement of Canada, 3; Mercaz Canada, 2; Zionist Organization of Canada, 2; Confederation of United Zionists, 1; Canadians for Progressive Israel-Friends of Pioneering Israel, 1; and Herut Canada-Tehiya Canada, 1.

A ninth slate, the Independent Student Zionist List, vying for representation at the Congress for the first time, failed to get enough votes to be in contention for a seat.

United Torah Coalition consists of Mizrachi and Emunah Women, which are CZF constituents, plus the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America and the Rabbinical Council of America, which are not. Mercaz Canada, running a slate for the first time for a Zionist Congress, is the Zionist arm of the Conservative movement.

The results show that Kadima was very successful in getting the vote out, while the United Torah Coalition failed to convince its potentially very large electorate to cast their ballots. The coalition signed up more than 24,000 members (according to the preliminary list); Kadima only 5,383.

However, in the elections the two groups received a similar number of votes: United Torah Coalition, 3,871; Kadima, 3,134. Mercaz got 1,297 votes; it signed up more than 10,000 members.

The elections, the first held by the CZF for a Zionist Congress in 12 years, saw a turnout of just over 25%. A total of 64,551 ballots were mailed out across the country, based on the members signed up this year by the nine slates, as well to the several hundred persons who affiliated directly with the CZF.

By the deadline July 31, 16,644 ballots were returned to the CZF, of which 2,136 were rejected, for a final acceptance of 14,508 ballots.

There were several reasons the number of rejected ballots was so high, CZF executive director Meyer Krentzman; more than one ballot in an envelope, multiple marks or no mark on a ballot, no name or address on the envelope, or, the names were not found on the master list or duplicate envelopes were received.

The CZF had an outside company, B. J. Hunter Directories, which specializes in mail-in elections and surveys, to handle the logistics of the elections. By computer, that company reduced the rough total membership list of 71,550 to 64,551 by eliminating all duplicate names to produce one merged master list.

This method was not perfect, Krentzman conceded. The computer could only

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Calls Lebanon war a success

Sharon wants honor back

By BENNY MORRIS

TEL AVIV (JPFS) — Breaking four years of relative silence, Ariel Sharon has launched a campaign to "clear" his name and "defend" the Lebanon war with which it is identified.

The thrust of his marathon 200-minute lecture last week before a star-studded audience at Tel Aviv University was that the war was a success; and that it initially enjoyed wide political and military backing in Israel, and that each of the army's moves was approved in advance by the cabinet and the Israel Defence Force (IDF) brass. Sharon's speech was interrupted at times by leftist heckling and raucous applause from fellow Herutniks.

Burying Menachem Begin with repeated praise, Sharon shattered the charge that he had deceived the former Prime Minister and led him by the nose by repeatedly quoting Begin as leading his cabinet colleagues into the war and then into its various stages. Sharon quoted at length, if selectively, from cabinet protocols for the years 1979-83.

"I did not come here to respond to various charges. I have come to state the truth, to tell the things as they were — for the first time, yes, for the first time — on the fifth anniversary of the expulsion of the PLO terrorists from Beirut," he said, as he embarked on a detailed description of the countdown to the war. The expulsion, he repeatedly declared, was the high point and major objective of the war.

Ariel Sharon

Sharon said that the Lebanon war was "a war of salvation, and I am proud to have been one of its organizers, a war against our main enemy — the Palestinian terrorism that has been fighting us for 100 years."

Sharon's account of events produced a barrage of critical response, and more can be expected. Former chief of general staff Mordechai Gur, interviewed on Israel Television's news program, referred to Sharon's lecture as full of "lies and half-truths," and said it made him realize that it was necessary to investigate in a thorough way the handling of the war.

Eli Geva, the officer who asked to be relieved of his command during the bombardment of Beirut, was also interviewed. He said that parts of what Sharon said were incorrect, and that the former defence minister had even contradicted himself as he spoke.

Both Gur and a Labor spokesman said that the Labor Party had never approved any action beyond the initial 40-km campaign. Ezer Weizman was quoted on TV as saying he would wait to respond in full, but "Sharon was famous for his inaccuracy."

In launching the war, the Begin government was only following in the footsteps of all the Labor-led governments that had preceded it, Sharon declared.

At this point a young woman began shouting: "You should be ashamed of yourself! Shame!"

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Ottawa pledges speed on war criminal bill

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO — Canadian Jewish Congress has been assured the federal government will move during the current reconvened Parliament to obtain second reading of the bill allowing for prosecutions of Nazi war criminals in Canada.

Former Congress President Milton Harris said he and national executive director Jack Silverstone were told by senior government officials that prosecuting war criminals remains a high priority for the Mulroney government.

Harris was told that following second reading of the bill, a special legislative committee would be established to study the proposed amendments to the Criminal Code.

The bill to allow for the prosecution of Nazi war criminals in Canada was held up at the last minute prior to Parliament's summer recess when two Conservative backbench MPs, Andrew Witer (Parkdale-High Park) and Alex Kindy (Calgary East), withheld their consent. All three parties had agreed to speedy passage of the bill (which would have avoided the sometimes drawn out committee stage) by unanimously consenting to the bill presented by Justice Minister Ray Hnatyshyn. However the bill could not pass without the consent of the two backbench MPs.

At that time, Hynatyshyn stated the bill would be reintroduced at the earliest opportunity. However Harris noted there had been no indication in the House that the bill was "on the docket" of current parliamentary business.

He speculated it would take up to two months of hearings by the ad hoc committee to go over the draft bill, clause by clause. He said he expected witnesses would not be called to testify on the bill, since the Deschenes Commission, which investigated Nazi war criminals in Canada, had gone over that ground thoroughly.

Meanwhile, Congress said it was "astounded" by the revelation that two Nazi war criminals were allowed into Canada as recently as 1983 (CJN Aug. 13). "This underscores the need for swift action to deal with those alleged Nazi war criminals in our midst," Harris, chairman of Congress' committee on war criminals, said.

Harris said the report on the entry of Nazi war criminals in Canada, completed by historian Alti Rodal, indicates there are some members of the RCMP who are not sympathetic to the Mulroney government's stated position of bringing Nazi war criminals to justice.

He added that the gist of the report, that Canada allowed war criminals into the country (at the behest of

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Fate of Lavi still up in air

By DAVID LANDAU

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The fate of the Lavi jet fighter remained up in the air Sunday as Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres resolved privately and recommended jointly to the cabinet that a vote on the plane's future be deferred for a week or two.

The decision to do so followed almost unrelenting pressure by the Reagan administration for Israel to suspend the Lavi project and a growing number of cabinet ministers favoring scrapping the jet. Opponents of the project were disappointed with the cabinet's decision to postpone a vote. Both the opponents and proponents of the project had hoped to come to a formal decision Sunday.

The ministers had been divided evenly on whether the project should continue. Peres came out firmly in favor of the Lavi last Friday and said he would even be willing to support a lowering of Israel's living standards in order to keep the Lavi, which is scheduled to go into production in the early 1990s. Shamir said he favored continuing with the project without imposing new taxes on the public.

But Finance Minister Moshe Nissim, a strong opponent of the project, said its continuation would cost every Israeli family some $2,000 a year in extra taxes. Nissim and Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin who also opposed continuing the Lavi project, favored purchasing the U.S.-made F-16 jet fighters which U.S. officials had suggested early this year.

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Govt refugee bill insensitive: CJC

MONTREAL — **Canadian Jewish Congress has called proposed federal legislation to curb illegal immigrants "regrettable in its harshness and insensitivity."**

Congress President Dorothy Reitman stated detention provisions in Bill C-84 "are excessive, expensive and not justifiable in all cases."

Reitman said the bill, along with other proposed immigration legislation, "will effectively deter all refugees status claimants and will ultimately close Canada's doors to refugees."

David Matas, spokesman for B'nai B'rith Canada and a Winnipeg immigration lawyer, said the bill would "criminalize humanitarian aid" to refugees. "It would really prevent people from helping refugees coming to Canada."

Bill C-84 proposes to increase penalties against smugglers, makes it easier to detain refugees and aims at discouraging immigrants from arriving without identification.

Reitman called for new legislation that is "sensitive and fair to those seeking refuge and to Canada's own interests."

Histadrut to end S. African ties

TEL AVIV — Histadrut Secretary-General Yisrael Kessar last week instructed the labor federation's industrial leaders to break all commercial ties with South Africa once present contracts expire.

Kessar's move came 10 days after Knesset Member Ran Cohen, of the Citizens Rights Movement, revealed that Iskoor, a company owned by the Histadrut's Koor Industries, last year bought $25 million of steel and scrap iron from South Africa.

Cohen charged that Iskoor had set up a front company in Switzerland called Talronics to conceal its dealings with South Africa.

Kessar summoned Danny Rosolio, the chief executive of the Histadrut's holding company, Hevrat HaOvdim, Arnon Gafni, chairman of Koor's board of directors, and Yeshayahu Gavish, Koor's managing director, to his office.

Kessar made it clear to these officials that they were to follow the Histadrut's policy of ending all trade links with South Africa.

The three men agreed and told Kessar they had already given such instructions to all their concerns. But they pointed out that Iskoor last year signed a 5-year contract with South Africa which would be too expensive to cancel.

It was therefore decided to allow the contract to run its course on the understanding that it would not be renewed.

World-National

With a "hero" like this?

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

Comes summer time, TV presents its viewers with re-runs, and since anyway we're not great tube watchers in our house the fare was expected to be even sparser than usual. But it wasn't. For July was the time for the theatre of the absurd, and every night we were glued to the McNeil/Lehrer show which brought us an hour's worth of U.S. Congressional hearings and their superstar, Lt.-Col. Oliver North.

Rabbi Plaut

It was the perfect setting for the David-and-Goliath duel. On the one side the big bully, a Congressional committee in possession of stacks of documents and inquisitorial lawyers; on the other a young soldier with a boyish smile, a batch of medals, and a splendid command of the English language. Instead of flinching. North took on the oversized opponent and defeated him handily — or so at least did much of the public perceived the uneven combat.

For Canadians watching the proceedings there was at least one element which was distinctly American. North delivered his ciceronian disquisitions while wrapping himself in the Stars and Stripes, the super-patriot struggling manfully to ward off a bunch of yapping bloodhounds that were out to tear the precious flag off his back.

White knight

Yes, he admitted, I did lie, because I preferred "lies to lives." Had I spoken the truth, you and your committees would have leaked what I said and would have killed Americans and Nicaraguan freedom fighters.

He did not bother to prove that point. Just saying it was a histrionic masterpiece, and he said it well, conviction shining from his eyes and giving an authentic ring to his voice. So now it's "Ollie North for President," flowers, telegrams, and monies for his defence fund.

The new American hero has been born and he frightens me. For regardless of Mr. Reagan's involvement, the colonel's testimony revealed a personality that is uncomfortably familiar, and the support he has received from a substantial section of the public gives me cause for alarm.

Some years ago Theodor W. Adorno, together with Nevitt R. Sanford, published a book called The Authoritarian Personality. In many ways North fits that image. He sees the world as black and white: one the one side are arrayed the forces of the devil (in Communist clothing), on the other the shining champions of liberty (flying the red, white and blue). Clearly, the devil cannot be fought with words and diplomatic niceties, he must taste the strength and determination of his opponents. Force must be met with force, lest all the good people be destroyed in the end. North to the rescue.

Frightens me

Did he not know what he did was against the law? Did he not know that the Boland amendment was expressly designed to stop this kind of activity? North took refuge behind his superiors. Time and again he averred that he was, expressly or otherwise, doing what the President wanted.

Of all the things North said, that bothered me the most. The President had a policy and North believed in it. After that, all was fair game. What else beyond what he did would North have done? Can a soldier take refuge behind every order of his superiors? Wasn't this essentially what the Nuremberg trials were all about? Though the context was far different, the trials established that being in the service of the state does not excuse a person from exercising his or her sense of morality. Receiving an order does not suspend one's personal responsibility to say yea or nay to it.

Authoritarian personalities differ with this conclusion. In their a black-and-white world, authority needs to be obeyed. North represents the white knight who, at his commander's bidding, is poised to slay the dragon. Translated into political terms this scenario produces in me a not-so-vague sense of unease.

New optimism about world body

UN head impresses Jewish leaders

By
EDWIN BLACK

NEW YORK —

Jewish leaders are expressing a sudden new optimism about the United Nations following an unprecedented meeting with United Nations secretary-general Javier Perez de Cuellar last week. One by-product of the conference is a new impetus to neutralize the UN's most notorious resolution, 3379: Zionism is racism. Jewish leaders have now identified 1988 as the target year to overturn the resolution.

B'nai B'rith president Seymour Reich led the delegation, organized under the auspices of the UN Committee of the Presidents Conference. Others attending included Abe Foxman and Burt Levinson, national director and national chairman respectively of the Anti-Defamation League; Marc Tanenbaum, international director of the American Jewish Committee; and Abe Bayer, director of the National Jewish Community Relations advisory board, as well as Morris Abram and Malcolm Hoenlein, chairman and executive director respectively of the Presidents Conference.

"The most important aspect of the meeting was the very fact that it was held," declares Reich. Jewish leaders encountered no official reluctance in arranging the meeting, despite their ongoing vocal campaign against many UN practices and policies. Moreover, Perez's attitude "reflected a man who seemed deeply concerned" about Jewish issues, reports Reich. Perez himself, contacted at the UN on his way to the airport, took time out to describe the talks as "very friendly and constructive."

Three issues dominated the talks. Top priority: unlocking 40,000 files in the UN's war crimes archive, currently reposing in a New York warehouse. These inaccessible files were the first to confirm that Kurt Waldheim was directly involved in genocidal activities. The only other closed Holocaust/war crime archive is at Potsdam in East Germany.

Reich told Perez that "the Klaus Barbie trial was only the most recent illustration that war criminals should not go unpunished," adding that the Jewish community believed Perez personally possessed the power to make the files accessible. Perez acknowledged as much, but said he would be guided by a decision of the 17 member states that conducted the original war crimes commission. The 17 will be polled during a meeting, probably in Geneva, scheduled for Sept. 22.

Thus far, 15 of the 17 have declared their willingness to open the files. UN sources will not identify the two holdouts. But it is reliably learned that Poland and France have not decided either way. Holocaust researchers explained that French officials fear that open files might expose dozens of Vichy collaborators still alive.

Perez expressed hope, however, that all the original member nations would agree to unlock the files. The secretary-general would then facilitate access following the models of other state archives such as the National Archives in Washington, the Bundesarchiv in Bonn and the Public Record Office in London.

The Israeli government has already secured some 2,400 of the files as a member of the United Nations. Yad Vashem is storing them, but under binding confidentiality. Hence, even Yad Vashem, which maintains no closed archives, may not make them available to historians.

Reich also raised the annual anti-Zionist resolution challenging Israel's credentials. And Burt Levinson asked for action on Soviet Jewry, including pressure to allow Jewish religious practice and culture to thrive in Russia. Perez acknowledged the legitimacy of both points and said he would use his influence to help in both areas, so long as his impartiality as secretary-general was preserved.

But the greatest emphasis was placed on overturning the UN's resolution equating Zionism with racism. "The UN cannot cleanse itself procedurally or substantively until that resolution is expunged," Reich told Perez. Focusing on Nov. 10, the 12th anniversary of the resolution, Reich explained that "November 10 is also the anniversary of Kristallnacht [1938]. We mark that as the violent beginning of the Holocaust." The irony of the dates, Reich maintained, was only appropriate to the true context of the resolution's anti-semitism.

Perez was moved. The question of rescinding the resolution was openly laid on the table. "He was very understanding of our situation," reports Morris Abram, but was unable in his capacity as secretary-general to express any specific partiality. Nonetheless, Jewish leaders came away with the feeling Perez would support a move to repeal the resolution.

It is learned that while Perez could not say or do anything specific, key UN officials in a position to affect the resolution, believe the time has come to neutralize it. These officials have urged Jewish leaders to continue rallying support in other countries with an eye toward overturning the resolution. The mechanics, however, are still unclear.

"We can go either of two ways," explained Abe Foxman, co-chairman of the delegation, "either ask to repeal the original resolution, or pass a new resolution that neutralizes it."

But there are pros and cons on both sides. "Outright rescission would grip the world like a thunderbolt," declares Abram, "and make the UN a more moral force." But Foxman wondered whether member nations would more readily support a new supplanting resolution, rather than vote to rescind the old one, and in so doing concede they had voted for an anti-semitic decree. "On the other hand," suggests Foxman, "if a new resolution, for example, asserts that Zionism is the legitimate national movement of the Jewish people, you now have two conflicting resolutions."

Explaining why the existing resolution is a continuing problem, Foxman argues, "True, the resolution is only words. But in some countries it can be used as pretext to delegitimize the Jewish people. For instance, in Zimbabwe, the minister of information has asked the Jewish community to delete the word 'Zionist' from the name of its Jewish publication, Zionist Digest. The rationale is that the UN has proclaimed Zionism to be racism."

Jewish leaders and UN officials believe 1988 is the year for such a move. "This year is out because in a few weeks, an East German becomes president of the General Assembly," explains Foxman. "He serves for a year. So we can use this year to prepare, and then hope for a new resolution during the next session." Malcolm Hoenlein agrees, "Next year, the 40th anniversary of the State of Israel, would obviously be the prime time to launch this campaign.

Bork's fancy legal theories won't help those who suffer

By
RICHARD COHEN

WASHINGTON —

Washington is a soft touch for intellectuals. At the beginning of the Reagan years, for instance, much was written about ideas and position papers cascading from the town's conservative think tanks. Six years later, they all seem to boil down to lower taxes, more defence spending and a dogmatic belief in the free-market system. With the exception of defence spending, Calvin Coolidge had the same ideas. And history does not remember him as an original thinker.

Now comes Robert Bork, President Reagan's Supreme Court nominee, blazing intellectual energy. Once a law professor at Yale, then solicitor-general of the United States and now a federal appeals-court judge, Bork does indeed have a claim to the mantle of "intellectual" — and no doubt he also tests well. He is a man of many legal theories and principles. It is those that dazzle Washington.

Take, for instance, abortion. We are told Bork is not your usual opponent. Not from him do we get slide shows on the fetus in the womb, talks about infanticide and stern proclamations that a rape victim must bear the baby that is the fruit of her trauma. No. Instead, where others have raw emotions or religious beliefs, Bork has legal theories: judicial restraint and strict constructionism.

At the mere mention of those words, the Washington opinion-setters go totally ga-ga. So ethereal is Bork's thinking, that abortion is merely an example of a higher principle. He believes there is nothing in the Constitution that could guarantee it. In Roe vs. Wade, the Supreme Court peered into the Constitution and found a right to privacy and, therefore, a legal option to have an abortion. Bork peered into the same Constitution and found no such thing. Therefore, abortion is not the issue. The Constitution is.

Pregnant women, of course, may not be comforted by Bork's thinking. Some could be bearing severely deformed fetuses that would, almost certainly, die some time after birth. Others might be young girls unable to cope with pregnancy and delivery. To them it wouldn't matter that Bork has a judicial theory to explain a Supreme Court vote permitting states to once again outlaw abortion. The effect would be the same as if he merely opposed abortion as murder. Maybe they could be comforted with a pamphlet of Bork's writings.

Similarly, when it came to civil rights legislatures, Bork had a body of thought to explain his opposition. "I was always against laws that segregated," he recently told the Washington Times. "But I also at the same time had a libertarian perspective, and I was sort of against laws that controlled individuals in their association." Bork's "sort of" is disingenuous, a retreat from a position that is now untenable. Bork knew precisely where he stood on civil rights laws.

In a 1963 New Republic article he has since recanted, Bork said he opposed the enforced desegregation of public accommodations — hotels and restaurants. He believed in a right of association which — no fault of his, of course — sometimes was abused by racists. It is worth noting, though, that in this instance Bork opposed a legislative, not a judicial, remedy. Nevertheless, he created a theory to deny a fundamental right.

To the Black travelers pushing on past the frontier of fatigue to find a motel that would admit them, Bork's fancy legal theory provided no comfort. What mattered to Black citizens was the reality of Jim Crow discrimination, the humiliating and infuriating fact that they were being treated in a repugnant way. No matter how stimulating a theory may be, you cannot check into it for the night.

It's impossible to know with Bork which comes first — the theoretical egg or the actual chicken. As lawyers (and columnists) know, it's possible to work backwards — to arrive at a conclusion and then, by selective argument and witty quotations, make it appear that the conclusion was the inevitable product of rigorous reasoning. Judges can work the same way. It's often impossible to know if their conclusion is inherently political or emotional, pragmatic or theoretical.

With Bork, legal theories abound. They are concocted, published and then, somtimes, recanted — often with wit, always with erudition. There is, though, a consistency to them. Almost always Bork has been niggardly in his morality, harsh to minorities, and deferential to government authority. To many in Washington, this is the fancy footwork of the intellectual and they are dazzled by it.

But the likely subjects of Bork's writings — women seeking an abortion, homosexuals seeking their rights or individuals battling the government — are not likely to be similarly impressed. Victims rarely are.

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Campaign marking 70th anniversary

Hadassah membership drive "major success"

By
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TORONTO —
Canadian Hadassah-WIZO has just completed a successful membership campaign marking the organization's 70th anniversary year.

According to Cecily Peters, national president, the 1-year membership drive, which culminated this summer in a contest draw for top prizes, was a "major success." It attracted 705 new members from 40 centres in Canada, including 185 new life members.

A highlight of the contest, which was based on an incentive award plan, was a draw for the names of six women, all Canadian Hadassah-WIZO members, who enrolled the most new and life members this past year.

Among the winners were Connie Kussner Zeldin of Toronto; Shoshana Pollack of Edmonton; Barbara Cohen of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.; and Mrs. Denzil Courlander of Vancouver. Each won return air fare from Montreal to Israel for Celebration 70, Hadassah-WIZO Canada's trip to Israel, celebrating the organization's 70th birthday in November.

Other winners included Lynn Gillman of Ottawa, who was awarded air fare, meal package and hotel accommodation at the organization's national convention in Montreal in November, and Esther Samphir of Winnipeg, who won a free meal package.

The membership drive, called Blueprint 1001, represented Canadian Hadassah-WIZO's national design for increased membership. "We set a target of 1,001 new members; we are delighted that we came so close to our goal," said Peters in a recent interview.

"This campaign represented a cooperative effort from our entire national executive and especially our membership department," she said. "We are thrilled with the results. The campaign was a major achievement and provides a boost of adrenalin that every organization needs."

Connie Kussner Zeldin (right), who enrolled the most new members (32), is seen with Louise Rosenblum (left), Central Canada membership chairman and national president Cecily Peters.

According to Louise Rosenbloom, membership chairman (Central Canada), the response from small, medium, and large centres across Canada was equally positive. "The campaign has shown the public the great work we do, the diversity of our activities, and the closeness that emanates from within our ranks. It has also injected a real sense of belonging, of pride and of working together for Israel.

"All of our new members have already been integrated into chapters where they will feel most comfortable," added Rosenbloom, who together with Naomi Frankenburg, national vice-president, Cori Friedman (Edmonton) and Leona Freeman (Halifax), formed the nucleus of the national membership campaign.

Rosenbloom feels the incentive and award program was secondary. "We prize ourselves on the personal rapport we develop among our members. The national executive level branches into each centre, and in turn, each centre feeds into local chapters. Nobody is left out. We instil a feeling of wholeness and continuity . . . from within and from without," she said.

One winner, Connie Kussner Zeldin of Toronto, who personally enrolled 32 new members, says the best way to attract members is by personal contact. "We have to try to catch young women — they are the future of our organization," said Kussner Zeldin, who recently signed up her three daughters as life members.

"I am always amazed how many women would be interested in joining if only they were approached. How can we stand by complacently when Israel's needs are so great?" she added.

Panelists base convictions primarily on the Torah

Jewish vegetarians extol self-control

By
MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO —
Jews have blessings for bread and wine, but not for meat, stresses Rabbi Noach Valley, president of the Jewish Vegetarian Society of North America and leader of a Conservative congregation in Dover, NJ.

Addressing a session devoted to Judaism and Vegetarianism during the recent Vegetarianism — A Taste of Tomorrrow conference, sponsored by the Toronto Vegetarian Association at the University of Toronto, the rabbi, together with other panelists, based his convictions primarily on the Torah.

Judaism is a free will concept, he asserted, and by taking control, we can influence the future course of our lives. "Vegetarianism is a very significant way to be in command," he argued.

Vegetarians in Israel comprise 4% of the population, one of the highest rates in the world, said Valley.

The rabbi offered several reasons which he says stem from the Torah, for Jews being vegetarians, including guarding our health, compassion for animals, sharing food with the hungry, striving for world peace.

Zeroing in on health, he stated that all cattle in the U.S. are injected with the growth stimulant DES, which, he maintained, causes cancer. DES, he said, has been eliminated in Canada, "because your government didn't listen to the beef lobbyists."

Fish, he alleged, are tainted with PCBs and he said that 25% of all poultry has some form of cancer. "Eating flesh products, therefore, is a violation of the commandment to take care of one's health."

Cattle consume the bulk of grain grown in North America, Valley said, and he feels that sharing that grain with less fortunate peoples could be a contributor to global peace.

Author Richard Schwartz, assistant professor of mathematics at the College of Staten Island, who has written a book entitled Judaism and Vegetarianism, believes that there is a Jewish vegetarian tradition. He claims, "It is God's intent that we all be vegetarians, but people aren't always ready to live up to God's highest ideals."

Recalling the exodus from Egypt, he said that the Almighty provided the Children of Israel with a vegetarian diet, manna, which sustained them in the desert. When they became dissatisfied and cried out for flesh, quails were sent, but after the people ate the meat, a great plague broke out. Schwartz considers this a penalty — a plague which has stretched out over a long period of time.

We have rejected child sacrifice and other rituals as pagan practice, he says, but "couldn't reject it all." He regards the injunctions against eating blood and certain parts of the animal as a step — "a hope that people will move back to a vegetarian diet."

Jews for Animal Rights founder, Roberta Kalechofsky, admitted that her mother had raised her on steak in the belief that it ensured good health, and she had fed it to her family for the same reason, but eventually she became a vegetarian because of "an afflicted conscience."

She decried the horrors of factory farming which she said, "is based on the animal as a machine, and that is a violation of Jewish ethics." (Animals are restricted, crowded into stalls, cages, boxes, injected with drugs, their life cycle chemically and hormonally altered).

"I don't want to be part of that," she insisted, stressing that kosher meat is also factory farmed.

It wasn't easy to change her eating habits, she said. "Jews have such a history of thinking about food. We don't take it lightly. I knew I had passed the test when I went to a bar mitzvah and didn't eat the chopped liver. The hardest thing to give up was chicken soup!

"There were stages all along the way. There came the stage when I had to celebrate a seder. I felt, if you don't build the change into the rituals, you have to keep reminding and steeling yourself. But we have a glorious holiday calendar — we could have six or seven vegetarian seders throughout the year."

Jonathan Wolf, Jewish vegetarian activist, lecturer and writer, affirmed that "Many of the important values we see as Jews compel us to be vegetarians." Judaism, he said, is a system of commandments and traditions which tell us what to do in the area of food, dress, justice, providing for the needy.

He added, "It is not simply a bunch of good ideas. It is a system which deals with awareness, caring for other people and all God's creatures — a way of living to make the world better, not worse, for future generations, and it is up to us to improve the situation of animals as well who, the Bible tells us, should be free to roam the fields and enjoy God's creation."

Winnipeg Jewish Post acquires rival paper

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —
For Winnipeg's Jewish community, this city has become a 1-paper town. After over a year of negotiations, the Jewish Post has brought its crosstown rival, The Western Jewish News. The WJN put out its last edition on July 30.

The over 60-year-old Western Jewish News has been in decline for a long time. About three years ago, shortly after partners Matt and Bernie Bellan and Gail Frankel bought the Post, a businessman named Andy Appel bought the WJN.

"We initially contacted Andy about buying the paper well over a year ago," said Matt Bellan, editor and co-owner of the renamed Jewish Post and News.

"It seemed that, in a shrinking Jewish community such as ours, there was no room for two weeklies. We took a look at other Jewish communities and found none this size (population 15,000-16,000) with more than one weekly.

"We aren't further ahead financially as a result of this. We did it because we felt it needed to be done. The community has been asking for it for a long time. We felt we were in a position to achieve it. Our interest is simply in creating a superior journalistic product."

The new Post and News will continue to use some of the Western Jewish News' columnists and may hire one or two of the WJN's small staff.

As for its subscribers, Bellan reported that most of the WJN readers were in Winnipeg, although it billed itself as a Western Canadian paper and carried an Edmonton report on a regular basis. Bellan said he and his partners are negotiating with the Edmonton contributor.

"We hope to be able to increase our coverage locally to make it a little more comprehensive," said Bellan. "We feel a certain responsibility, as the only Jewish paper here now, to ensure all elements of the community have equal access to our pages.

"We will try not to side editorially with any particular group against another. We will make every effort to be open to all elements of the community."

Restitution claims

Twin survivors of the Auschwitz death camp who underwent medical experimentation under Dr. Josef Mengele and who received indemnification for damage to health have been reminded to contact the United Restitution Organization for Canada (URO) in Montreal and Toronto.

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Living Halacha

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: Which ladies are prohibited in marriage to Cohannim?

The Cohannim, the members of our hereditary priesthood, are an unsalaried body of men. There are hardly any financial rewards that go with their title. But, there are many restrictions facing them.

Rabbi Burak

Unlike Edward VIII, who abdicated the throne in order to marry the woman he loved, Cohannim cannot abdicate their office to get away from its restrictions.

A Cohen may not marry any of the following ladies: (1) gerushah, (2) halutzah, (3) zonah, (4) halalah, (5) gyores, (6) anusah, and (7) shevuyah. None of these prohibitions are easy to understand, not even the best known, the law that forbids a Cohen from marrying a divorcee.

If divorce were granted only where an act of unfaithfulness took place, we could understand why a priest should not marry that woman. But, suppose the lady was not at fault. Suppose she was innocent of any wrongdoing. Her husband went shopping for a new thrill. Why should his wife's marriage to a cohen be blocked?

The Torah blocks it, and she is invited to look for happiness elsewhere. The halutzah is in the same category. This poor woman is a widow whose husband left no issue. The deceased man's brother gave her halitzah, and that sets her free to marry whomsoever she wants, except a member of our hereditary priesthood. This is a talmudic ruling rather than a biblical one.

All these laws are found in the Code, E.H. Chapter 6, and the title of that chapter is: "Women who are prohibited to a Cohen." But, chapter 7 also deals with some aspects of the same subject.

The third of the prohibited categories, zonah, is probably the easiest to understand, especially if one accepts the usual English translation. But, that's not what the word means in Jewish law. Here we have an anomaly: the woman who sells her favors is not excluded from marrying into this aristocracy of ours.

Who is excluded? It is the woman who engages in a relationship that can never be hallowed within Judaism, such as an incestuous union, or cohabiting with one who is not of the Jewish faith. That is what is meant by this term, for, in such instances there is no possibility of marriage. Marriage to a non-Jew disqualifies her, even after his death.

What is a halalah? That's the question asked in Tractate Kiddushin, 77A, and one sage answered that it refers to "one who was born of unfit persons." Sometimes, this stain sticks for all time: "The daughter of a male halal is unfit for the priesthood for all time."

A lady proselyte is in the forbidden category, but there is some argument as to the reason for it. Many scholars, especially Ibn Daud, hold that the convert is excluded by the verse in Ezekiel, Chapter 44:22, "but they shall take virgins of the seed of the House of Israel" and that this excludes even an infant who joins the ranks of Israel before turning 3 years of age.

We come now to a moment when tragedy strikes the home of the priest. When the wives of Cohannim were prisoners of war, the law decreed that when the ladies were liberated, they could not resume marital life with their husbands. In Kethuboth, 27B, a sage who was a priest tried hard not to have this law apply to his wife:

"Rabbi Zechariah ben ha-Katzav said: '(I swear) By this temple, her hand did not move out of my hand from the time the heathens entered Jerusalem until they departed (so she was pure).' They answered him: 'No man can testify concerning himself.' "

As a dutiful son of our holy faith he obeyed.

Dissuading govt. on "Who is a Jew" change

Delegation claims success in Israel

By
MARK DODICK

TORONTO —

A high-level delegation of North American Jewish leaders including representatives from United Israel Appeal of Canada returned recently from a "successful" mission to dissuade the Israeli government from amending the "Who is a Jew" law.

Through its efforts to persuade the Knesset to table a Shas sponsored amendment that would give Israeli rabbinic courts sole authority over conversions, marriages and divorces performed abroad, the delegation helped ensure the existence of the coalition government, says Walter Hess.

(The bill, which had been defeated two weeks prior to the mission visit, was at the last moment not re-introduced by the Shas Party according to JTA).

Hess, executive vice-president of UIA Canada, and Donald Carr, UIA legal counsel, were the Canadian members of the delegation which also included representatives from the Council of Jewish Federations, and the (U.S.) United Jewish Appeal.

"Because of the fact of our interdependence, we have the obligation to speak out when there is a threat to the centrality of Israel to the Jewish people," the delegation told 22 Knesset members and cabinet ministers (including the Prime Minister and foreign minister) with whom they spoke during the 3-day visit.

"We really arrived at a milestone...in a way we prevented the current coalition from falling," says Hess, "but the real issue is that the Who is a Jew? issue was being used to bring down the Israeli government."

Now, continued Hess, the proposed amendment cannot be introduced until October after the Knesset returns from its summer recess, and won't have the same impact.

Even if its introduction should cause the government to fall then, he says, Israeli election laws would still allow the coalition to continue almost until its mandated expiry date.

In making its overtures to the MKs, says Hess, the delegation acknowledged the issue was a major one, particularly divisive in the Diaspora, "so important it could bring about a serious break in relations."

Hess said it was emphasized to the Israel government that the delegation was not representing any specific religious group, and was composed of organizations with adherents in all branches of North American Jewry.

"We are not here to impinge upon the sovereignty of the State of Israel, nor to interfere in its internal political processes.

"We are here solely on the basis of the concept of 'Clal Yisrael' — the peoplehood of Jews worldwide including the Jews of Israel," the group said in a press release.

"Amending the Law of Return, directly or indirectly, will cause a significant portion of our people to feel disenfranchised — to feel the essential unity which has characterized our relationship over these past 40 years to have been assaulted and shattered," the release added.

"We urge...that no legislative action be taken which will cause our relationship and our people irreparable harm."

In response to their pleas, the delegation received "tremendous sympathy and understanding," from the Knesset members it spoke with, says Hess.

He says that the thrust for the future (the constituent organizations plan to continue their lobbying efforts) will be to ensure that the issue not be the basis in the formation of any future governing coalitions with smaller parties.

Among the recommendations the delegation made were: to improve Israeli understanding of the demographic and religious makeup of North American Jewry; and to get Knesset members to meet members of the North American community to better appreciate the problem.

The group also called for strategies "which will deal with the specific needs that this issue will generate around Israeli election time, no later than next summer."

"Not considered to be hate propaganda"

Minister will not ban book

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

The minister of national revenue has turned down a request by Simon Wiesenthal Centre representative Sol Littman to ban as hate literature the import of a book published in Australia which attacks Jews.

In a letter to Littman, the minister, Elmer MacKay, said "in this book the targeted group is Zionists or Zionist Jews, not Jewish people in general...Since this faction is recognized in the book as only a small section of the Jewish population, identified on political grounds, it does not constitute 'an identifiable group' according to the Criminal Code definition. Therefore, as distasteful as the material may be to some people, it is not considered to be hate propaganda."

Under regulations of the Customs Tariff Act, material suspected of being treasonable, seditious, obscene or hate propaganda is inspected by Customs officers and may be prohibited from entering Canada.

The book in question, published by the Veterans of the Ukrainian Insurgent Army in Australia and entitled *Why is One Holocaust Worth More Than Others?*, claims Jews were responsible for the Bolshevik Revolution. It also claims anti-Jewish "feeling that developed in each country (was) in reaction to Jewish obstinacy and arrogance," and that the media are controlled by Jews. It also alleges that "the U.S. government, dominated by Zionist Jews, is draining the pockets and purses of American taxpayers to support Israel's socialist economy and war machine."

In his Aug. 5 letter to MacKay, Littman stated "this hate-filled, libelous pamphlet does not limit its attack to 'Zionists' or 'Zionist Jews.' It clearly targets all Jews despite repeated efforts in the pamphlet to single out 'Zionists' for special attention. This is readily proven by passages, which, among others, deliberately misrepresent the historic role of Jews in eras long before the Zionist movement was launched in the late 19th century."

Only attacks some

Littman also notes that use of the terms "Zionist," "Zionist conspiracy" and "Zionist Jews" is commonly employed by hatemongers in their literature.

However Thomas Greig, assistant deputy minister responsible for customs programs, said a review of the material led to the conclusion that it attacks only some Jews and that a political grouping of Zionists is not an identifiable group as required by the regulations.

When referred to statements in the 111-page book that referred exclusively to Jews as wrongdoers, Greig stated the material's premise was that Ukrainians suffered as much as Jews and that "a subset (group) of the Jews" is responsible for causing various problems.

He said literature would have "to be very black and white to be caught by the current wording."

Greig added the department is "grappling with the meaning of 'hate literature' " and has called on a number of legal, civil rights and other groups for input to improve the definition by making it more specific.

He said the department was still "some distance away" from recommending a more specific definition of prohibited material, noting some groups argue there should be no infringments on the right to free speech.

Ultimately, it will be a political decision as to what changes, if any, will be made to the regulations.

Littman claimed the book, written under the pen name Yurij Chumatskij, is clearly hate literature, attacking Jewish behavior over 3,000 years.

He speculated that if the material was the product of a group with no following, the ministry wouldn't hesitate to act. But when the literature is the product of a Ukrainian group, "they hesitate."

Members of the Ukrainian Insurgent Army were followers of Stepan Bandera, according to Littman, who collaborated with the Germans in anti-Jewish activities.

After the war, they entered displaced persons camps and made their way to Western countries, Littman added.

Ya'acov Agam design picked for official Olympics poster

TEL AVIV (JPFS) —

The South Korean Olympic Committee has chosen a design by Israel artist Ya'acov Agam to adorn the official 1988 Olympics poster, a spokesperson for the artist said last week.

The poster and all official Olympics publications will state that Agam is from Israel, she added.

A South Korean government official, who announced this to the artist at his Paris studio, also purchased a number of Agam's works which will be shown at the Olympic village.

Agam's poster shows a circle in all colors of the rainbow, symbolizing the unity of all countries of the world. The circle also contains semi-circles representing the Korean national emblem.

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Ida Nudel talks with American B'nai B'rith Women president Irma Gertler (right) at a meeting in Moscow. Nudel had been granted permission to travel from Bendery, Moldavia to Moscow to join other women Refuseniks in meetings with Gertler and four wives of U.S. congressmen.

Soviet anti-semitism said to be ceasing

MONTREAL —

The official anti-semitic campaign in the Soviet Union has "virtually ceased," according the Canadian Jewish Congress executive vice-president Alan Rose.

There have been no arrests of Refuseniks or Jewish activists lately and Hebrew study and prayer groups are no longer harassed, he said in an interview.

"The main problem at this point is obtaining more exit visas for Jews who want to emigrate," he said, adding that Jewish emigration will not likely increase substantially until relations between the Soviet Union and the United States, and possibly Israel, shift.

A wide gulf apparently still exists between the Soviets and those in the West advocating greater Jewish emigration on the number of Jews wanting to leave. While in Vienna recently during the Helsinki Accords review conference, Rose said he was told by a "very senior Soviet official" that 12,000 Jews want to emigrate, while Rose maintained the figure is "substantially higher."

The same official told Rose that "the new economic changes in the Soviet Union will enable Jews to use their entrepreneurial skill in the Soviet Union rather than the U.S" — a remark, which the CJC official feels, may indicate a reluctance to let more Jews leave if the Soviets feel they are needed as managers.

Rose once again pleaded the cases of Refuseniks who have been waiting more than five years to emigrate, including the ailing Ida Nudel.

While in Europe, Rose visited two Eastern bloc countries, Hungary and Czechoslovakia. In the former, he found "thriving Jewish life, in the synagogues and kosher restaurants and general feeling of prosperity." There are 70,000-80,000 Jews in Hungary.

The Hungarian Academy of Sciences has established a chair in Jewish studies, under a reciprocal arrangement with Harvard University, Rose said. He also noted a "magnificent" memorial to Raoul Wallenberg in a park in Budapest.

In Czechoslovakia, Rose met with leaders of the small Czech (as opposed to Slovakian) Jewish community, accompanied by Canadian charge d'affaires Terry Devlin. About 12,000 Jews live in the whole of Czechoslovakia.

Rose received a positive impression of Jewish life in this Communist country as well — the Alteneushul in Prague was reasonably well attended, the kosher restaurant was doing a good trade, and Jewish community services are in place.

He visited the site of Terezienstadt concentration camp where a Jewish pavilion is "beautifully kept by the authorities," and the tiny community remaining in Carlsbad, now known as Karlovary.

For defence of Jewish rights

Nudel nominated for award

By WENDY ROSEN

NEW YORK —

Soviet Refusenik Ida Nudel is among 61 nominees for the 1987 Defender of Jerusalem Award.

Eryk Spektor, award founder and chairman, said the nominees "represent a wide cross-section of eminent and impressive people from throughout the world.

The judges and trustees of the Jabotinsky Foundation will select from this list one or more persons who have undertaken extraordinary actions in defence of the rights of the Jewish people."

Although the judging occurred last month, the winner will not be announced until mid-September. The award will be conferred at the Museum of Modern Art here on Oct. 28.

Among the prominent nominees, who were selected by representatives from 12 countries, are NY Governor Mario Cuomo, industrialist Armand Hammer and Le Chambon, a small town in France. Past winners of the $100,000 prize, which has been presented annually since 1983, include ex-Refusenik Natan Scharansky, U.S. ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick and Nazi hunter Beate Klarsfeld.

In other Soviet Jewry news, in the first 10 days of August, Soviet Jewish emigration reached 258, bringing the annual total to 4,164 or more than quadruple 1986's figure of 914.

In Toronto, Ben Prossin, director of the Committee for Soviet Jewry of Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region, reports that Prisoner of Conscience Alexei Magarik will be released from prison next month. Although there had been some attempts to secure an earlier release for him, Soviet prison authorities recently told Magarik's wife, Natasha Rattner, that he would not be released until Sept. 14.

Moscow easing Jewish emigration to the West

NEW YORK (JTA) —

The head of the Moscow OVIR emigration office said that Soviet Jews with relatives in the West will be permitted to join them without obtaining an invitation from relatives in Israel, according to the National Conference on Soviet Jewry (NCSJ).

Rudolf Kuznetsov told the weekly Soviet journal Novoye Vrema that "in keeping with the Constitution and the international obligation of the USSR, the letter and spirit of the documents of the Committee on Security and Cooperation in Europe, and also of last year's conference in Berne, the Soviet government is making human contacts and issues of reunification of families easier."

In effect, according to Kuznetsov, Soviet Jews with relatives living in the West will be allowed to join them, thus bypassing the current requirement that an invitation must be obtained from Israel.

He said that former Soviet Jews residing in countries that have diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union can invite their relatives to join them.

Kuznetsov also said that it will be possible for trips to be made to and from the Soviet Union, "for meetings not only with close relatives but also with other relations and even with friends."

The publication's interviewer, Lev Yelin, asked if a former Soviet Jewish national could invite a Soviet Jewish relative for permanent residence in the West, to which Kuznetsov replied "Yes, he can."

Tourists warned of heat after two die in Israel

By JUDY SIEGEL

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

The health ministry plans to prepare pamphlets for tourists on how to cope with Israel's heat, following the death last week of an 18-year-old British girl and a 50-year-old American tourist, apparently from heat prostration.

The recommendation that information be published was made by Dr. Ya'acov Adler, director of the emergency room at Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Hospital, where Etty Sabersky of London was pronounced dead after returning from the Dead Sea on a bus.

Dr. Adler said that incidents in which tourists are affected, sometimes fatally, by the heat are "not uncommon," as they do not know how to behave in the heat.

"It takes time for their bodies to acclimatize to the high temperatures. Until they spend a few weeks here, their bodies hold the heat in rather than release it to the air. No tourist should exert himself or go on a trip to a very hot area without getting used to the heat first," he declared. Israelis are generally used to coping with the high temperatures.

Adler made his recommendations to Dr. Alma Avni of the ministry's department of public health, which so far has concentrated on informing Israelis in Israel and those going abroad how to cope with the heat. Until now, it hadn't given much thought to foreign tourists who are here in the summer.

Adler suggested that pamphlets be provided by travel agents abroad, as well as in Israeli tourist information offices and hotels in Israel.

Sabersky, who rented an apartment in Jerusalem with three other religious girls from England for a few weeks, went with them on a trip to the Dead Sea area by bus. She did not feel well before leaving, acccording to the girls, and they debated whether they should go at all.

At Ma'ayan David, Sabersky had trouble climbing and had to be helped. She felt dizzy and had trouble descending. But they did not go to the clinic at the settlement for help.

On the bus returning to Jerusalem, there were no vacant seats, so the girls sat on the floor. Etty apparently went into a coma and died in the bus. Her friends thought she was asleep. Unsuccessful attempts were made to revive her when the bus reached its destination.

Her parents were on a visit to Switzerland, and their permission for an autopsy could not be obtained, so doctors are not 100% sure that she was a victim of the heat.

The male victim, Pitel Kamas of the United States, felt ill on Masada, where it was 42 C in the shade. An ambulance arrived from Kalia and first aid was administered, but he was pronounced dead at Jerusalem's Hadassah Hospital on Mt. Scopus.

Trial set for Vanunu

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

The Jerusalem District Court will begin hearing the case against former nuclear technician Mordechai Vanunu in camera at the end of this month.

This follows the failure to reach a plea-bargain agreement between the prosecution and Vanunu, who is accused of selling Israel's nuclear secrets to The Sunday Times of London.

The court convened briefly last week to hear Vanunu's request that certain parts of his evidence be made public.

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World-National

They're back and they're smiling. Here's the 20-strong Canadian contingent which recently returned from the Pan Am Maccabi Games in Caracas. The team, which averaged 15 years of age, was led by Maccabi Canada officials Jeff Engel (top row, far left) and Bernie Offstein (top row, 2nd from left) and Sid Greenberg (top row, 3rd from right).

76 medals: best ever showing

Canucks win big at Pan Am Maccabi Games

TORONTO —

The Canadian contingent to the 6th Pan American Maccabi Games recently returned from Caracas, Venezuela after making the best showing ever.

Canadian athletes collected 76 medals, including 32 gold, 24 silver and 20 bronze while participating in only six of the 15 available sports. The medals were divvied up among 18 of only 20 Canadian athletes who competed in the Games.

They participated in swimming events, as well as track & field, squash, tennis, table tennis and gymnastics.

Montreal's Chantal Harrison led the way with 6 gold medals and 2 silver in swimming events, followed by Toronto's Sara Singer, who garnered 5 golds, 1 silver and 1 bronze, also in the pool.

Jennifer Sugar of Montreal matched Singer's tally while in other swimming events, Vancouver's 15-year-old Ryan Berger took 10 medals home to the West Coast: 4 gold, 4 silver and 2 bronze.

Other bemedaled swimmers included Greg Schwarz of Montreal with 2 gold, 3 silver and 2 bronze; Carl Bloom of Montreal with 1 gold, 2 silver and 3 bronze; and Aviva Klein of Toronto with 2 gold, 2 silver and 1 bronze.

Montreal's Jeremy Fraiberg won the open squash competition while Calgary's Boris Vaynshteyn earned a bronze in table tennis.

On the tennis courts, Torontonian Melanie Shishler won a silver as did Vancouverite Sheira Stuart.

In gymnastics, Joe Freedman of Edmonton won 3 gold, 2 silver and 2 bronze while Ottawa's Lianne Lang vaulted to 2 gold and 3 silver. At 12-years-old, Lang was Canada's youngest competitor.

In track & field, Joseph Kibur of Montreal won the only gold for the Canadian track team to add to his 3 bronze medals. Scott Burke of Toronto earned a silver and a bronze, while Winnipeggers Hartley Miller took two bronze medals home and Sara Clamen won a silver. Michael Glogauer of Calgary earned a bronze.

The Canadian team was led in Caracas by Bernie Offstein, national athletic chairman for Maccabi Canada, who served as Chef de Mission. He was aided by vice captain Bob Luxenberg; Sid Greenberg, president of Maccabi Canada; Jeff Engel, chairman of Maccabi Ontario; and Pam Gollish.

Dr. Tom Bacher headed the medical team which included Diana Perez and Shirley Kushner. Harold Cipin, national athletic vice-chairman, helped organize the delegation.

Preparations are now under way for the 13th "bar mitzvah" Maccabiah in July 1989 in Israel. Athletes, coaches and therapists interested in applying for a position with the team can contact their local Maccabi office or the National Athletic Committee in Toronto at (416) 924-6211.

Demjanjuk expert takes pounding

By
ERNIE MEYER

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

Edna Robertson, the documents expert for the defence in the Demjanjuk trial, took a severe pounding from the prosecution and bench under crossexamination last week.

At different stages all three judges expressed criticism of the methods by which she had arrived at her opinion that the crucial Trawniki identity card was a forgery.

In another development, Israel Television announced that the Soviet Union has supplied three additional ID cards from the Trawniki SS training camp, such as the one that is a key piece of evidence at the Demjanjuk trial.

The new ID cards were brought to Israel by American oil tycoon Armand Hammer, who handed them to Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir. The ID card now in the hands of the prosecution also reached the American authorities through Hammer's good offices.

The cards, two of which have photos of the bearers, were submitted as evidence by the prosecution.

The new evidence may materially affect the outcome of the trial since all doubts about the authenticity of the card with Demjanjuk's signature and photo may now be removed. The absence of other corroborating cards had always been a strong point in favor of the defence.

At the trial, Presiding Judge Dov Levin told Robertson after she had admitted that a rust stain on the ID card should have been tested chemically and not only visually: "All you've said on this subject is based on visual observation, but science has advanced much beyond that."

Said Judge Zvi Tal after it was pointed out to Robertson that the iron in the ink of a signature on the ID card could have caused a disputed rust stain: "I wonder what expertise you have."

Said Judge Dalia Dorner, after Robertson had blamed defence lawyer John Gill for having failed to order a certain chemical test (thin-layer-chromatology) for a section of the ID card: "This reservation should have been reflected in your judgment concerning the card's authenticity."

Prosecutor Michael Shaked reminded Robertson that the prosecution had twice brought a well-known expert on inks and paper, Dr. Antonio Cantu, from the U.S. to testify on chemical tests.

The implication was that Robertson, with her MA in psychology, her assortment of courses in document testing, and her admitted ignorance of chemistry, could not compare with such an authority.

She bridled: "I am as good at what I do as he is at what he does."

In his attack on Robertson's expertise and findings, Shaked used not only his seemingly endless research resources but also some "heavy artillery." This took the form of a visual spectral comparator machine, which was borrowed from the police criminal identification laboratory and placed in front of the judges' bench.

Small video screens linked up to it faced the bench, the defence table and the audience. The machine can distinguish between different inks on a document by measuring their luminescence, and the results are projected onto a screen.

Robertson had partly based her finding that the Trawniki ID card had been altered and therefore was a forgery on tests made on the VSC machine at the police laboratory here last May. The test concerned a circular stamp which covered one corner of the photo on the Trawniki ID card and part of the paper below it.

The legend around the circle of the rubber stamp said "SS Training Camp Trawniki." Robertson said that the ink on the section of the stamp on the photo luminesced differently from the ink on the rest of the stamp, below the photo.

She expressed surprise when the machine at first produced a video image showing the same luminescence for the section of the stamp on the photo and that on the paper. "This is not what I saw when I performed my tests. We're not getting the same image here," she said.

But eventually Robertson produced an indistinct image, which she said showed a difference in luminescence between the two sections of the rubber stamp. "This is not the brilliant contrast I observed earlier . . . it fades in and out . . . but I can see a dimmer version of the difference," she said.

She explained that in her laboratory in Panama City, Florida, she had a simpler version of the machine, which she was more adept at handling.

The Israel Bar Association, meanwhile, has approved Paul Chumak of Toronto as Demjanjuk's new lawyer. A court spokesman said he is now awaiting permission by the justice minister to practice in Israel.

The Name Game

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DINKIN — LAJCHTER

Sylvia Dinkin, of Toronto, asks about her married name and maiden name.

DINKIN is a matronymic name derived from the female Hebrew name DINAH. DINKE is the affectionate form of nickname, like DVORKE for DEVORAH. The family name of DINKIN connotes a descendant of DINAH.

LAJCHTER is Polish for candlestick. It may denote a candlestick maker or may translate from the Hebrew name "Meir" — the giver of light.

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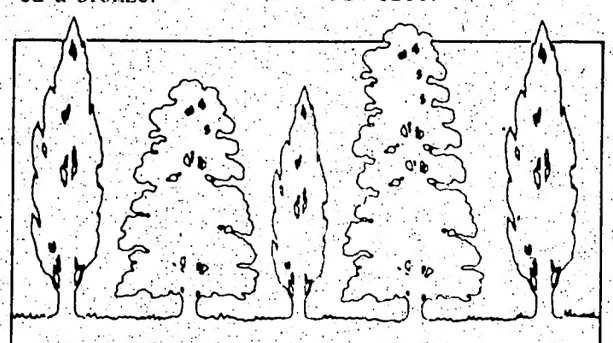

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DIARY ...of a People

By DAVID BIRKAN

Jewish financial advisor Chaim Parchi was slain by his third successive master, on Aug. 24, 1820. A turbulent lifetime of devoted service to Ottoman warlords of the Holy Land ended in a fit of lordly pique.

In 18th century Damascus, Parchi's father Shaul founded one of the farflung Ottoman empire's leading banking families. Parchi's brothers Rafael and Yosef and cousin Salmon remained in Damascus to manage a growing business network. District governor Ahmed al-Jazzar, a former Bosnian slave made good, appointed Parchi his assistant, in 1790. Parchi took up his official position of saraf (sheriff) in the newly expanded port of Acco, the Ottoman empire's most strategic site outside Turkey.

Intimations of war led Parchi to reinforce Acco's defences. He was soon caught up in the global feud between Britain and France for world domination. In an effort to gain widespread Jewish support for his Mideast campaign, Napoleon included a large number of Jewish soldiers in his army. In June 1798, he proclaimed his intention to found a Jewish state. A month later, he overran Egypt. Early the following year, Napoleon's armies marched north in an effort to conquer Acco and deal the Ottoman empire a death blow.

Under Parchi's direction, the port town of some 1,200 inhabitants — ¼ of them Jews — reinforced by hastily dispatched Turkish troops managed to repel charge after charge. Bombardment by the British fleet offshore further confounded the French. Napoleon made a succession of overtures to Parchi, which were rejected by the loyal administrator outright. Napoleon was forced to retreat, his first land defeat.

In these turbulent times, Parchi also struggled to keep al-Jazzar from imposing forced labor, rapacious taxes, and other unlimited local prerogatives on the Jewish community. Parchi's support of synagogues, yeshivot and the poor extended as far as Damascus. Differences mounted between Parchi, a proud and unyielding Jew, and al-Jazzar, a ruthless tyrant. In one outburst, the latter ordered one of Parchi's eyes plucked out and the tip of his nose cut off. A hostile Al-Jazzar soon found that Parchi's services, which included banking and administration, were indispensable, and recalled him to his post. Parchi, anxious to be in position to defend the community against future decrees and extortions, returned.

Order rescinded

Court intrigues exacerbated the two men's relationship. False accusations were levelled by plotters anxious to replace the influential Jew with their own candidates. In 1804, Parchi was arrested and thrown into prison, duplicating a nearly contemporary scenario involving court Jew Joseph Susskind in the distant German duchy of Wurttemberg.

Al-Jazzar died that same year. His successor, Suleiman Pasha, took Parchi out of prison and restored his position. Suleiman, fond of skirmishes and dangerous hunts, had a child, Abdullah. Parchi took the lad under his wing and proceeded to teach him the arts of statesmanship. Suleiman left the reigns of government completely in Parchi's hands, a 14-year era of untroubled rule for the district and for its Jews.

Suleiman died in 1818. Parchi used his influence and reputation to have Abdullah appointed the new pasha.

An auspicious and well planned start quickly deteriorated. As historian Avraham Yaari described it in The Goodly Heritage: "For a time all went well and the pasha did the bidding of his beloved mentor. But a rebuke over some wrongful action made the pasha realize that he would not enjoy freedom of action as long as Parchi was there to restrain him." With the support of Parchi's perennial enemies, Abdullah "trumped up a charge against him," and in a fit of pique ordered his benefactor strangled. This time there was no reprieve. Parchi's body was thrown into the sea, and his property confiscated.

Abdullah unleashed his avarice on the populace. Jews in Acco, Safed, and Jerusalem, according to Yaari, "were forced to sell their clothes" to meet tax demands. He was finally dislodged by troops from the pasha of Egypt.

Historians continue to speculate on what might have been had Parchi yielded to Napoleon.

Relations with U.S. Jewry

Arad hoping to repair strains

By EDWIN BLACK

WASHINGTON — Israel's new ambassador to the United States, Moshe Arad, has identified repairing strains with American Jewry as one of his "top two or three priorities." The remarks came during a wide-ranging exclusive interview, his first since arriving in the United States.

The 52-year-old, Romanian born diplomat joined the foreign ministry in 1962, and in 1968 was appointed press secretary of the London embassy. In the early 70s, Arad served in the New York consulate and Washington embassy. In 1976, he returned to Israel as chief of the director-general's bureau.

Eventually, he rose to the rank of inspector-general of Israel's diplomatic service. In 1983, he was appointed ambassador to Mexico, where he served with distinction.

Blunt and incisive, Arad readily concedes what Israel has been denying for months: that there are strains between Jerusalem and the Diaspora. "I can't identify the specific timeframe the problems began," says Arad, "but there were some events, including the Pollard affair, which put serious strains on the relationship. To deal with it, however, we must recognize it. My mission here — among other things — is to try to re-establish or strengthen those aspects of the relationship which might have been affected."

American Jewry's list of complaints include insensitivity over the Pollard affair, the recurring potential for passage of exclusionary "Who is a Jew" legislation, the urgent need for Israeli electoral reform, continued attacks against Jewish pluralism and a general feeling of "being taken for granted."

Arad confirms: "An additional layer of trust is needed," and that he would secure it by "direct dialogue, openness and by listening carefully to and being sensitive to American Jewry's views." But he adds, "Equally, I must make sure the American Jewish community understands the views and perspectives of Israel."

Jewish leaders who have worked with Arad are enthusiastic. "It is not always easy for an Israeli ambassador to establish rapport with the local Jewish community. But if anyone can, it is Moshe Arad," observes Sergio Nudelstejer, a leader of the Central Jewish Community of Mexico and currently director of the American Jewish Committee's Mexican and Latin American office.

"Became a real unifier"

Reached by telephone in his Mexico City office, Nudelstejer recalls, "When Arad came here, he had no experience in Latin American affairs or culture. He couldn't even speak the language — and in Latin America, without knowing the language, you cannot enter the mentality of the people. First thing, he became fluent in Spanish. Soon he could read the newspapers, communicate with the government and talk to leading personalities in Spanish. He became a real unifier for the community."

Malcolm Hoenlein, executive director of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations — American Jewry's united voice on Israel — says that Arad's prioritizing of relations with American Jewry "is very much on target. And that's a full-time job in itself. But I think he'll be up to the challenge. I met him when he was with the New York consulate and then the Washington embassy, and even while he was posted to Mexico. He was always intelligent, responsible and very effective about relations to the community."

Moreover, Arad comes to the United States at a time of diminished Israeli diplomatic credibility. Outgoing Ambassador Meir Rosenne, who enjoyed splendid relations with both American Jewry and the government, was often hamstrung by a divided coalition in Israel. Israel's most important diplomatic post was further undermined by the political struggle that made naming Rosenne's replacement an impossible task.

But those in both the Jewish community and the state department familiar with Arad's work believe he is the best man to both restore diplomatic credibility to the embassy, and help solve Israel's problems here.

Arad is hardly unknown to the state department. He served as the embassy's minister of information from 1973 to 1976 at one of the most crucial junctures for American-Israeli relations. "I arrived just a few weeks before the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War," Arad recalls. "Those weeks and indeed the years to follow were very hectic."

The first crisis to grip the embassy was the famous delayed airlift at the height of the Yom Kippur War. Israel had already depleted its stock of many weapons and was nearing armament exhaustion in the field as well. President Richard Nixon refused to authorize the re-supply.

"My role was to mobilize public support in favor of the airlift," recounts Arad, **"while Ambassador (Simcha) Dinitz was in diplomatic contact with the administration." Arad confirms that when the situation became desperate, Dinitz threatened that unless the airlift began "within a few hours," Golda Meir would make a direct appeal on American television.**

Moshe Arad

No public confrontation occurred. The airlift began shortly after Dinitz' final call. But then, relates Arad, "came the so-called period of reassessment under the Ford administration, and then shuttle diplomacy. These were extremely active years, and they have given me a special perspective on Washington."

Despite the problems, Arad always maintained personable relations with his American counterparts. Key sources at the state department recall Arad favorably. "We remember him well, and had a close and happy relationship with him," asserts one top source who today has daily responsibility for Israel affairs.

Asked whether they could rely on Arad since he is hampered by a government which speaks with two diametrically opposed voices, the state department source observes, "It is an unusual situation. It's not easy when there are such deep divisions within the government. But both countries have adapted to it."

For Arad's part, he says he can live with the two voices of Jerusalem. "I simply express two views, for instance on the international conference. Anyone familiar with the democratic process of government can understand this."

Tom Dine, executive director of the American-Israel Public Affairs Committee, knows just how important a credible and effective spokesman will be during the coming months as Israel's coalition becomes more and more fragmented. After several meetings with Arad, even before the new ambassador was sworn in, Dine came away feeling reassured. "Arad impressed me as being warm, friendly and impeccably professional," observed Dine, shortly after one of the meetings. "He will be a tremendous asset for Israel here in Washington."

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Editorial

Obstructing justice

The other shoe has now dropped — and with greater impact than one might have imagined.

It comes in the form of the document prepared by Ottawa historian Alti Rodal as an annex to the Deschenes Commission report. The 600-page, heavily censored document, contains much that is shocking about this country's moral obtuseness in the matter of suspected Nazi war criminals.

The document reveals that as late as 1983 two alleged Nazi war criminals were permitted to enter Canada. Their entry, moreover, was facilitated by the destruction of files and a disregard for regulations by other officials "whose sympathies inclined them towards leniency" with regard to alleged Nazis.

One of the officials responsible for admitting the alleged Nazis was, according to an RCMP officer, a "quite right wing, German and who regards the war criminals issue as blown all out of proportion by the Jewish lobby."

Immigration officials in this country decided in the period 1945-1947 to overlook SS tattoo marks on individuals applying for entry to Canada. The Canadian laxness in this regard was reinforced, supposedly, by American officials who often misled Canadian authorities as to the true background of prospective immigrants to Canada.

One of the most disquieting aspects of the report suggests that one of the former prime ministers of this country, Louis St. Laurent, was involved personally in communicating with alleged Nazi collaborators living in Canada. These collaborators were associated with the Vichy government in France.

Ms. Rodal, interviewed by the CBC's Sunday Magazine, indicated, moreover, that media accounts of America pressure on Canada to take in suspected Nazis are wrongly focused and that Canadian officials willingly permitted the suspected Nazis to enter this country. Rodal also suggested that some of the censored parts of her report reflect on the activities of officials in the justice department.

The Rodal report contains prima facie evidence of an attempt on the part of certain government officials in Canada to obstruct justice by destroying documents and in the case of the RCMP officer, of contravening Canada's immigration laws.

It is to be presumed that those guilty of these offences under the law will be prosecuted and brought to trial.

Abject surrender

The Ottawa Board of Education has nothing to be proud of in its recent decision to bow to demands of the region's Arab population that a proposed Holocaust studies program "be expanded to include other genocides."

A report of this decision in a newspaper whose only raison d'etre appears to be the verbal savaging of the State of Israel, the Arab World Review (July-August) records that 150 Arab community members turned out to pressure the Ottawa Board of Education on this issue.

Qasem Mahmud, president of the Palestinian-Arab Canadians, boasted that the board had listened to the voice of reason. "We wanted to be fair to everyone. If Jews have suffered in Germany at the hands of the Nazis, others have suffered, if not more, at least the same."

In commenting on the Ottawa board's original plan Mr. Mahmud said: "We perceive this program to be politically motivated to cover up for Israeli atrocities against the people of the Middle East, maybe to deepen the feelings of guilt among . . . Christians."

We regret deeply that the Ottawa Board of Education has permitted itself to be intimidated by a group whose sole purpose is the besmirching of the reputation of Israel and the Jewish people. The comments made by the spokesman of the Palestinian-Arab Canadians are merely one step removed from the Holocaust revisionism thugs. By relativizing the Holocaust one robs it of its uniqueness not only for Jews but as a singular historical event.

By acquiescing in the demand of the Arab community to universalize the Holocaust — as if such a thing were possible — the Ottawa Board of Education has abdicated its educational function and transformed itself into an unfortunate instrument of a faction which seeks to minimize the fate of Jews under Hitler in order to further a partisan political aim.

A most unfortunate development.

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W. German lawyer debunks myth

A legal brief on Jesus' death

THE JEWISH WORLD

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

A West German lawyer has written what may be the first legal brief on the events surrounding the crucifixion of Jesus.

Weddeg Fricke's book, *Summary Execution: The Trial of Jesus*, debunks the myth that the Jews tried, sentenced and executed Jesus.

He says the Romans carried out the crime.

Until the publication of his book, Jesus's life and crucifixion were largely the preserve of Christian theologians, some of whom blamed the Jews for the death of Jesus. Fricke, who practices law in Freiburg, spent six years on the project, documenting in great detail how he was murdered.

"Fricke's ideas are not new," comments Hanno Kuhnert in a recent edition of Die Zeit, one of West Germany's leading newspapers. "For a long time, they have been suggested by a few historians and theologians. What is new is Fricke's hard line of reasoning, his assiduous exposition of... historical 'absurdities.'"

According to Fricke, Jesus was falsely tried in a summary hearing by Roman procurater Pontius Pilate, and charged with being an enemy of the Roman state.

Jesus came from the Galilee, an area in revolt against Roman rule in Palestine, and the Romans assumed he was an agitator.

Fricke claims that the treachery of Judas, leading to the arrest of Jesus, has been greatly exaggerated by the gospels. Judas merely identified Jesus in the presence of Roman soldiers. Nevertheless, he became a symbol of damnation in Christian tradition, a situation rife with the possibilities of spawning anti-semitism.

Fricke wrote *Summary Execution* after defending a locksmith, "a respected member of the community," who shot eight Jews in a concentration camp. His trial prompted Fricke to wonder why he had committed the crime with the approval of the state.

In an effort to understand the phenomenon, he studied the roots of anti-semitism, which he prefers to call anti-Judaism. This investigation led him to the gospels, authors of the New Testament, all of whom were strongly anti-Jewish.

"They sowed the seeds of Christian anti-semitism; they helped fabricate the negative image of Jews; they paved the way for the Holocaust."

Fricke points out that the Church has "moved only half-heartedly" away from this stance.

Albrecht Durer's portrayal of Pontius Pilate showing a tortured Jesus to the Jews.

WAS HITLER SANE?

Wolfgang de Boor, a West German psychiatrist and criminologist, raises this question in a recent study.

Forty-two years after Hitler's suicide, de Boor concludes that the Nazi leader was "psychologically abnormal but not mentally ill or emotionally disturbed."

In a legal sense, he adds, Hitler was "competent" and "responsible for the criminality of his deeds and actions."

De Boor evaluated Hitler's personality with the aid of criminal psychology techniques and by using personality sketches provided by about 24 people who belonged to his inner circle.

Hitler, de Boor, concludes, had "extreme criminal tendencies" and may be considered to be "the greatest state terrorist of all time.

"His completely unfounded belief that the Jews had brought misfortune on mankind led to the murder of millions of Jews."

KILLER DIES

Erich Koch, Hitler's administrator in occupied Ukraine, died recently in a Polish prison, where he had lived in solitary confinement for 27 years.

Responsible for the deaths of hundreds of thousands of Poles and Jews, he was sentenced to hang after his 1959 trial. The sentence was commuted, ostensibly because of Koch's poor health. Others have speculated that he was kept alive in the hope that he might disclose information about war criminals in hiding.

HANS ROSENTHAL

Hans Rosenthal, a Jew, was one of the most popular television personalities in West Germany. He died recently, at the age of 61.

His 90-minute quizz show, *Dalli Dalli*, which had an audience of 20 million in German areas of Europe, was one of the most successful productions in German TV history. In 1977, he was chosen most popular TV host.

A self-effacing man, Rosenthal was simple, uncomplicated and friendly, character traits which suffused his show. "I'm not a star," he said. "I'm like my viewers."

Born in Berlin in 1925, the son of a bank clerk, he was orphaned at 15. All his close relatives were murdered by the Nazis and he himself was a forced laborer, a grave digger, before going into hiding.

Two Berlin women sheltered him in their garden shed for the last two years of the war. Remaining in Germany after 1945, he went into radio journalism before discovering TV. In his 1980 memoirs, *Two Lives in Germany*, Rosenthal wrote of his years as a persecuted Jew without rancor or bitterness.

"It was a book of cheerful reconciliation," observes Michael Beckert in the Saarbrucker Zeitung.

For many years, Rosenthal sat on the board of the Central Jewish Council in Germany, a strong believer in German-Jewish amity. Tributes poured in after his death. In a cable to his widow, a Christian who brought up their two sons as Jews, Chancellor Helmut Kohl noted that her husband had won the sympathy of millions of Germans and had striven for friendly relations between Christians and Jews.

Cardinal Joseph Hoeffner, head of the West German Catholic Bishops' Conference, expressed gratitude for his efforts to promote Christian-Jewish dialogue.

MODERN HEBREW

Cambridge, that venerable British university, has appointed its first lecturer in modern Hebrew. Israeli-born Risa Domb, 50, takes up her appointment in October.

A British resident for the past 29 years, she holds a BA in Hebrew studies from the University of London and a PhD (on the Arab in Hebrew literature) from the same institution.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

The Jewish Chronicle of London reports the gathering of an illustrious Jewish clan — the Montefiores, members of whom assembled at a recent reception to mark the publication of a book, *A Family Patchwork: the History of Five Generations of an Anglo-Jewish Family.*

The author of the volume, Ruth Sebag-Montefiore, a Jewish blueblood herself, posed for pictures with her brother-in-law, who is none other than Hugh Montefiore, the retired Anglican bishop of Birmingham.

Opinion

Wide-ranging educational system seeks to strengthen identity

Argentina's swing to democracy encourages Jews

CJN staff reporter PAUL LUNGEN recently participated in a 10-day visit with the Jewish community in Argentina, sponsored by Aerolineas Argentinas, the country's national airline (there are frequent flights from Montreal and New York to Buenos Aires). Here is the second in an occasional series on the trip.

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BUENOS AIRES —

It isn't clear when the first Jew settled in Argentina but the earliest record of a wedding performed under a chupah dates back to 1860. There are earlier reports of Portuguese merchants, "New Christians, Crypto-Jews" and derogatory references to Jews in Argentina as early as 1602, but no trace remains of these early settlers.

Argentina is still famous for the romantic image of the Jewish gaucho, or cowboy, and the agricultural projects established for oppressed Russian Jews by philanthropist Baron Maurice de Hirsch. Settlements like Mauricio and Moisesville still exist, but their Jewish population is practically zero.

Today 80% of the country's 250,000 Jews reside in the capital, Buenos Aires.

Like well established Jewish communities elsewhere, the Argentine one is faced with problems — assimilation, intermarriage, dwindling numbers, political instability in the host country and the disappearance of small communities outside major centres.

Buenos Aires is the centre of Jewish life in Argentina, in terms of numbers, economics and control of the indigenous communal organizations. It's a cosmopolitan city of 11 million into which the Jewish community of 200,000 has integrated itself fully — they can be found in the professions as doctors and lawyers, in business, and since Argentina turned to democracy 3½ years ago, in politics too.

For Argentina's Jews, the swing to democracy has meant a potential flowering of opportunities and a rekindling of Jewish identity. Leaders of both AMIA, the umbrella organization that represents the community's internal interests, and Hebraica, the major social, cultural and sports club, agree that under democracy, the opportunity to participate in the broader Argentine society has received a boost.

But democracy alone is not a guarantee of Jewish survival and as Jews continue to participate in the society around them, assimilation poses a constant threat.

Education is the key to retaining a Jewish identity, according to community leaders, and Buenos Aires' Jews have developed an impressive and wide-ranging educational system to inculcate its youth with a strong Jewish identity and a pride in their religious and cultural heritage — a sometimes difficult task in a country that is overwhelmingly Catholic (Catholicism is the official state religion) and in which there are few other well-organized minorities.

Half of AMIA's $10 million U.S. annual budget is direct to education, supporting 71 Jewish schools inside the capital and 27 outside. Altogether there are about 22,000 students in the Jewish school network.

The Rambam Institute and the ORT school are among the flagships of the 10-school secondary system. The 18-year-old Rambam is situated in the heart of Buenos Aires. With 420 students, it's considered a "model" for others, according to Braja Kunin de Levy, its principal. What makes it unique is that it is a training ground for prospective teachers for the Jewish system.

There are no Israeli teachers at Rambam. Self-sufficiency in teachers is the goal for Jewish educators, and in fact, Buenos Aires "exports" its teachers elsewhere in Latin America as well to the provinces of Argentina.

At Rambam, pupils study Jewish history, Tanach, Talmud and Hebrew as well as devote four hours each week to Yiddish. "The idea is to make the community stronger here and with the feet on the ground then the emphasis is on aliya," said Kunin de Levy.

State pays 60% of schools' budgets

Surprisingly for a country 95% Catholic, the state underwrites 60% of the Jewish schools' budgets, that sum going to pay the salaries of teachers who instruct in the required Spanish portion of the curriculum. The other 40% is provided by AMIA and from fees which are pegged at $100/month — very expensive by Argentine standards. Of Rambam's 420 students, 80% are girls.

Kids are kids no matter where you go, as these smiling teens from Buenos Aires' Rambam Institute show. [Paul Lungen photo]

Boys, we were told, generally aim for higher-paying vocations.

Many boys from Jewish elementary schools who wish to continue with an education that includes Jewish elements attend the ORT technical school. Like other Jewish high schools, ORT has been experiencing a boom in the last two years, according to Yehoshua Fliedel, who is responsible for ORT operations in Latin America. The ORT school is so popular, that 50% of last year's freshmen were graduates of public primary schools, not Jewish ones.

ORT, which specializes in instruction in technological fields and job-oriented skills, boasts a student body of 1,800. Four years ago that figure numbered 800 and with its explosive growth the school is bursting at the seams.

Fliedel and Kunin de Levy attribute the phenomenal growth of private schools not just to increased Jewish consciousness, but to concerns of many parents about the deteriorating atmosphere in public schools, especially a growing problem with drugs.

At ORT, Fliedel added, there is also a desire to obtain a sound technical education and access to the job market. ORT grads have a good record at getting jobs in chemical industries, working with computers, in electronics and in communications.

There's another side to it: time devoted to Jewish studies such as Hebrew, Bible and history has been boosted from 6 to 8 hours per week, he said, though the school remains "secular in principle."

ORT school is bursting at the seams

Taking a substantially different approach to education is the Rabbinical Seminary of Latin America. One of four campuses affiliated with the Jewish Theological Seminary (the others are in New York, California and Jerusalem) the Buenos Aires seminary was founded in 1962 by U.S. Conservative Rabbi Marshall Meyer.

The current rector of the seminary, Prof. Daniel Fainstein, said there are "some peculiarities" in the Argentine Jewish community. It was built on the basis of Jewish secularism, with Zionism, Socialism and Bundism the major ideologies. Immigrants from the interwar period were strongly anti-religious.

The RSLA started life in a single small building with the intention of training rabbis. Eventually the Abarbanel School was established to train teachers with the goal of producing instructors who could "share in the world of traditional Judaism and in the world of scientific studies and humanism."

Since 1962, 30 graduate rabbis have been ordained by the seminary and they may be found working throughout Latin America.

For most Jews in Argentina, "we are a legitimate part of Jewish life. They accept our marriages," Fainstein said, adding that religious authority is in the hands of Orthodox rabbis. There are Orthodox congregations in Tucuman, Salta, Bahia Blanca and Sante Fe, as well as in Buenos Aires.

Fainstein claims the Conservative movement is attractive to Argentine Jews who couldn't otherwise find in existing institutions a place for their Jewish identity and who no longer identify with the early socialist Jewish settlers.

On Friday evenings, the Conservative Beth El Synagogue is crowded with young people welcoming the Shabbat with a fervor that borders on revelry.

At the more staid and "small c" conservative shul, the Libertad, services are more traditional but still not fully Orthodox. Though seating is separate, an organ and a choir are mainstays of the services — again testifying to the uniqueness of the Argentine experience.

Hebraica, the country's largest cultural and sports club, is more than just a grandiose community centre. Though it tries to attract every age group from 1-120, it is especially active in attempting to promote links between Jews in their teens and those in their 30s, said Alberto Senderey, Hebraica's executive director.

The centre also supports a high school, what Senderey calls a "Jewish Fame (school for the arts)." At Amos, the 4-year-old Fame-like school, Jewish arts, theatre and music are taught to 12-18 year olds. So far the school is "a big success" with 400 students (60% girls) attending.

Amos plays a successful part in the effort to stem the disturbingly high drop-out rate following Jewish elementary schools (there are only 3,000 students in secondary school out of a total student population of 22,000). Amos is so successful, there is a waiting list of 400 wishing to enrol.

"A Jewish Fame" is but one of the innovative programs devised at Hebraica. With 20,000 members to cater to, Hebraica has to keep them interested. There are, of course, sports facilities located in a 6-storey downtown building. Alongside it is a 15-storey structure that houses the cultural and social facilities. Anywhere from 2-3,000 people use the centre daily.

On the main level are a cinema and theatre with seating for 1,000 and 200 respectively. In pre-democracy days the theatre was used for political discussions that involved prominent politicians, including current President Raul Alfonsin, and they are still used for seminars on controversial topics.

About 50 kms. outside Buenos Aires you can find Hebraica's other major property, a country club. Open to all members, the club is situated on 350 acres and includes a golf course, tennis courts, a large dining hall (reminiscent of a kibbutz cheder ochel), a youth hostel and hotel for 300 and of course, well-kept private lots.

About 500 families maintain their own detached dwellings or condominiums at the club. They pay a 1-time tax of 100% with the money used to finance the construction of multi-family rental dwellings. Their fees also amount to 60% of the maintenance costs.

Hebraica is able to convince its wealthier members to foot much of the bill because "it's a way for their children to meet other Jewish children," Senderey said. About 3-4,000 people visit the club on a given weekend and crowds of 10,000 for special events are not unknown.

Hebraica's fund raising regime is not the only unusual way of raising money in Argentina. AMIA, a sort of equivalent to Canadian Jewish Congress, relies on subsidies from the Chevra Kadisha for 50% of its $10 million U.S. annual budget. At one time, 90% of its finances came from the burial society.

As a result, there are no annual fund raising campaigns for local needs, no Super Sundays (there is a campaign for Israel). The estates of deceased members of the community are levied fees for burial in the Jewish cemetery. For the wealthy, it can go as high as $50,000 to gratis for the indigent, but the average is around $3,000, according to La Luz (the Light), an Argentine Jewish newspaper.

Half of AMIA's budget goes to education needs; social welfare programs and cultural concerns take the rest. AMIA finances a home for senior citizens in Bursaca, near the capital, and provides aid for the indigent. It partially funds the Ezra Jewish hospital and a school for nurses.

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However, not everyone is happy with the way AMIA disburses its money. Because the bulk of the Jewish population is centred in Buenos Aires, most of AMIA's attention is focused there. As a result, smaller communities are forgotten, said Isidoro Winicki, editor of Continuidad, a Keren Hayesod publication.

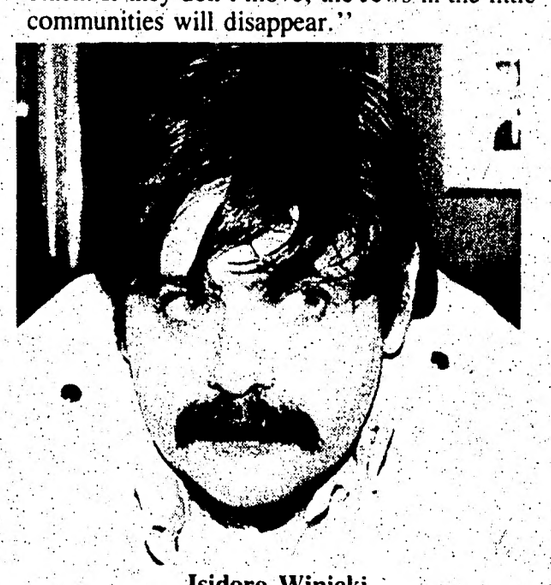
Few of the original Jewish settlements like Pedernal, Colonia Dora and Rojil are populated by Jews. Assimilation destroyed the communities as Jewish ventures, he said, while adding that Concordia, one of the originals, still has a chabad community with its own shul, mikveh and kosher food.

But in some of Argentina's main cities, the Jewish population is not doing so well: in Mendoza, Winicki estimates, there is a 40% intermarriage rate; in San Juan province, 60%; in San Luis, 30%; in Cordoba, 70%; in Buenos Aires, 15%.

"AMIA is a bureaucracy," he added, "a big chevra kadisha. They seem to put cemeteries and moshav zekeinim (seniors' homes) ahead of schools."

In Buenos Aires there are religious schools run by Lubavitch, Mizrachi and Satmar as well as Zionist schools, Bialik schools and non-Zionist Peretz schools. Outside the capital, there is little in the way of Jewish schools, he said.

"If AMIA doesn't move, the future is very black. If they don't move, the Jews in the little communities will disappear."



Isidoro Winicki

Ricardo Kleinmann, a DAIA representative in Cordoba, one hour flying time to the west of Buenos Aires, said there are programs run from Cordoba to help Jews in small communities survive. They include cultural events, Big Brother-type programs and outreach campaigns to acquaint people with their Jewish heritage. But he agrees assimilation is the major problem for Jews outside Buenos Aires.

Despite all the efforts to create Jewish environments conducive to mingling, the Argentine Jewish community's numbers have dropped from an estimated 400,000 in the 1960s to 250,000. Senderey believes one-third were lost to assimilation, and one-third each to Israel and the U.S.

"A great part of our population will emigrate not because of anti-semitism, but because they have no economic future," especially in high tech fields, he said.

Anti-semitism, Senderey said, does exist, noting that former newspaper publisher Jacobo Timerman was tortured as a Jew. Despite latent anti-semitism, Senderey said "we try not to be a ghetto," and officials of AMIA said that even at the height of the military repression from 1976-83, no Jewish organization or synagogue was shut down. Jews are free to be Jews, they said. ORT's Fliedel points out the school's grads find few obstacles in getting jobs while the attorney-general of Cordoba province found no hostility when he took over the post.

The 12,000-strong Jewish community of Cordoba (pop. 1 million) is a tight-knit one. Despite the community losing quite a few young Jews during the military repression (even the U.S. consul was murdered), the members of the community continue to be politically active.

The current attorney general and his predecessor were both Jews. And the dean of the faculty of law of the National University of Cordoba, Berta K. de Orchansky, is the first Jew and the first woman to hold that prestigious post.

The Jewish secondary school is a source of pride for the community. With 302 students (60% girls), studies are geared towards combining a business education with Jewish studies. There are 570 children in the Jewish primary school, accounting for about 50% of all Jewish children in Cordoba, Kleinman said.

Cordoba's main synagogue is the 25-year-old Conservative Beit Yisrael with 800 members.

Opinion

Many problems seem to be purely of internal manufacture

Life and hope reveal Israel's miracle continues

TORONTO community leader DONALD CARR, who with his family spends a good part of each summer in Israel, gives us his impressions of the country as he saw it and experienced it last month.

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JERUSALEM —

What are the impressions of Israel this year?

As "tourist-resident," I suppose we see more of Israeli life than the average visitor.

No matter how many times one visits this country, if the hotel is one's abode, the view is necessarily distorted. Even if one visits friends or relatives in their homes, the essential flavor of the land, the people and the lives they lead, cannot be experienced.

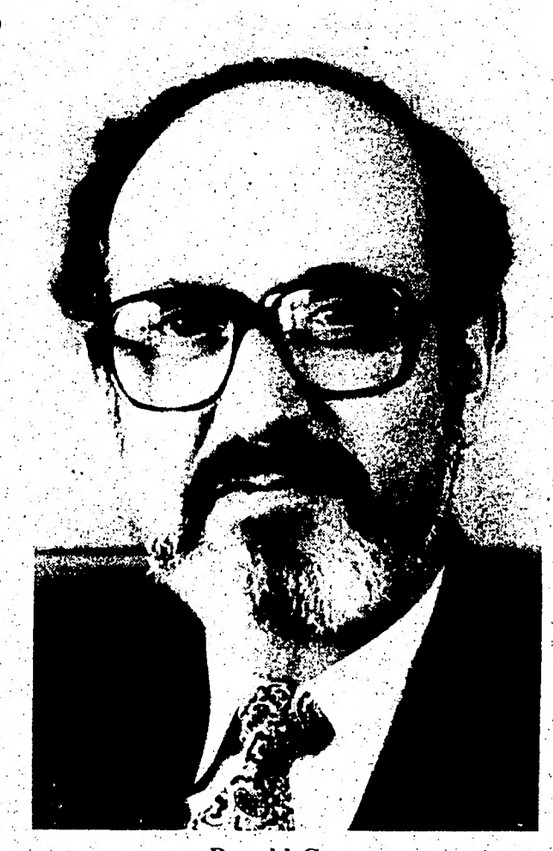
You have to push your wagon through the supermarket, elbow your way to the counter displaying chumus and techina, take your clothes into the cleaners — and, above all, wrestle with the home-grown washing machine on your own balcony — before you can get some real sense of what Israel and its people are all about.

Not that we fool ourselves into thinking that we live like Israelis when we spend our annual July here. There's quite a difference between eking out an existence in this economy and living here temporarily on a Canadian income — and any thoughts to the contrary are sheer idiocy!

Most of our friends here not only need to have both husband and wife working, but, either or both of them must have a second job to keep body, soul and family together. There is little money for restaurant eating, little time for prolonged socializing and little energy for leisure. When will the 5-day week make its appearance? That is the current burning question. (It must be admitted, though, that there is a fairly large "wealthy class;" just look inside the expensive hairdressers or the 5-star hotels any day of the week and Israelis are very much in evidence.)

There is no doubt that this 39-year-old state continues to face innumerable problems.

Some, of course, result from external forces. No Arab state — except Egypt — will permit Israel to drop its military guard for a moment and even Egypt's peace is cold, and so far, fruitless. The PLO and all its offshoots — whether publicly rejected or embraced — are a continuous threat. So, too, the Moslem fundamentalists in South Lebanon make forays against UN positions or Israel's allies, the South Lebanon Army, and threaten northern Israel with rockets again.



Donald Carr

Other problems seem to be purely of internal manufacture. The word "manufacture" seems quite appropriate, as if one attempted to scratch one's left ear with the right hand, over the head.

Some random thoughts on current circumstances come to mind:

• The disunited "unity" government continues to shoot itself in the feet — and in this context it is a veritable centipede! Prime Minister Shamir publicly rejects, in scathing terms, Foreign Minister Peres' call for an international peace conference.

• Public in-fighting within the parties is fierce and venal.

• Shamir (and, for that matter, probably any leader of either major political party would do the same) "sells his soul" to the ultra-Orthodox Sephardic party, Shas. He agrees to support the Who Is A Jew statutory amendment proposed by Shas — but only to keep power. Never mind that a large swath of Diaspora Jewry would be disqualified from being regarded as Jewish if the amendment were passed. Never mind that the Jewish world would be torn asunder, as would its relationship with Israel.

• The proportional representation electoral system here virtually guarantees impotent coalition governments. Splinter parties with no substantial constituencies — like Shas — hold the balance of power and blackmail their way to influence. There is no direct responsibility of Knesset members to a voting constituency. Party hacks, who long ago should have been retired — and would be if they had to face direct election — still strangle their parties and stay on the election lists. There seem to be too many with vested interests in the status quo to see some sensible electoral system approved by the Knesset.

• One's jaw drops to read of the vicious and strident attack by Knesset member Avner Shaki (National Religious Party, formerly Labor) on Conservative and Reform Judaism. It's the same Avner Shaki who attended, quite comfortably, Shabbat services at Toronto's Conservative Beth Tzedec and spoke from its pulpit!

• The veritable Arab palaces on the roads from Jerusalem to El Bireh, Ramallah and the Dead Sea give the lie to the picture perpetually painted in our media of Arab housing squalor. True, their owners must be in the minority, but the "camps" which we saw in Lebanon in 1982 and those we still see in Judea and Samaria today are no worse than the manner in which their occupants lived before 1948 and 1967 — and in many cases they are better.

• It's too bad that the Jerusalem Post is the only English newspaper in Israel. Both here and at home we rely on it for written news and commentary. Apart from its news reporters' generally low level English, according to the Post, little positive or good happens in Israel. Its negative portrayal belies the real Israel. How many of its readers, whether in the Jewish community or in overseas governments (including our own), realize the nature of the political bias it places on most issues? How many recognize that the "balancing" opinion pieces come almost uniformly from the most strident of right-wing writers, who seem to be so chosen by the editorial staff to demonstrate the absurdity of views which differ from the paper's own outlook?

• The mature use of democracy, in this the only democratic country in the Middle East, is still little in evidence. Having the right to vote and the right to speak (or shout) one's mind, without concurrent respect for one's political opponent, is not the hallmark of the democracy we know. There is little leadership in this regard and so many still have to learn that such rights bring with them obligations to exercise such rights with consideration and decency. (But I must keep reminding myself that democratic usage, as we know it, is the product of hundreds of years of practice, rather than a mere 39 — and so many Israelis stem from backgrounds where democracy was unknown.)

• Amazingly, in this economic spider-web of a kind that the world has never before known, inflation is down from 400% to about 15% in the past two years. The shekel holds its own fairly well; prices are stable, if high, and unemployment hovers around 4%. Like Canada, jobs are hard to find in some areas, while they are easier to come by elsewhere.

• Strikes are still the order of the day. One week it's the bus drivers for a day; followed by all public workers the next week. This includes mailmen, airport workers (no flights in, or out!), garbage men (in a country where failure to remove garbage daily leaves an almost indelible "impression" on the whole city).

• For years here it has been conventional Orthodox wisdom that during the shmitta year, when Jews must let their land lie fallow and not use its crop, it was acceptable to "sell" one's land for the year to a non-Jew and then use the produce. Now, the "righter than right" wings are not satisfied with that and Israel's bumper wheat crop is in jeopardy. If the government bows to this new pressure, Israel will have to buy its wheat from overseas with hard currency and, with a glut of wheat on the world market, its chances of selling the unused crop are slight. Shades of the attack on the Eruv in Toronto by the new breed of "boat-people" in our midst!

• What a delight to listen to David Hartman, rabbi, philospopher, spellbinder, import from Montreal, as he talks to the UJA Hineni members here. Speaking of the interest of non-Jews in Israel and the Jewish people, he puts things into perspective when he tells how, if invited to speak to those groups (as he often is), he refuses to talk to them when they are on their "pilgrimage" to Yad Vashem. Instead, he tells them to meet him in the waiting room at the maternity ward of Shaare Zedek hospital, and he will talk to them there! That's where the future of this country and of our people is to be found — not in the retrospective calamity of the Holocaust (as important as it is for non-Jews and ourselves not to forget).

And, remembering the Holocaust as we constantly do, what an experience to enter the newly opened Memorial to the Children of Yad Vashem. Designed by Moshe Safdi (architect of Expo 67's Habitat) one is seemingly suspended in black, star-studded, space. As if spoken through the small candle flame which is in the distance, the names, ages and places of death of the children float about you in shattering tones of English, Hebrew and Yiddish. It chills. It sears. It is timeless and endless.

• American Jewish Congress leaders (representing whom, I wonder?) descend on Israel, pontificating and publicly condemning and threatening. From the reaction of government officials, it would seem that they are considered important and have some influence. If they have a position on topics important alike to Diaspora Jews and Israel, why are they unable to use the access which they have quietly and privately? That way, of course, they wouldn't capture headlines and I suppose that so many "leaders," lay and professional, must have headlines to survive.

• It would be lunacy to deny that there are enormous difficulties with Judea, Samaria and Gaza. Nobody can be happy about the lives led by the Arabs in those territories. Levels of education, health and employment are, without doubt, infinitely higher than before the 6-day war.

Yet one cannot overlook terrible crowding and the insufficiency of necessary amenities. Over against this is the bitter hostility to the Israelis, who are obliged to play occupiers until there is some peace. Fomented by the PLO — which ruthlessly disposes of any indigenous Palestinian Arab leader who expresses any desire to cooperate in a peace process — generations are growing up with stones, grenades and knives. It's really Catch 22 for the Israelis. Even if they had the resources (which they don't) how appropriate would it be to pour the needed millions into territories, at least large parts of which are likely to become Jordan or some other Arab "entity" in a peace settlement? So, the unhappy situation must continue, and groups like the U.S.-based Palestine Human Rights Campaign will continue to send "fact finding" missions and publicly wring their hands and shed tears, until the elusive peace is found.

• You must not take "no" as an answer in Israel. "No" is merely the knee-jerk reaction, or the opening gambit in the Israeli's argumentative arsenal. You have to stand your ground. You have to insist. Raising the voice a decibel or two helps (doesn't that make the person who can't speak English understand what you're saying?). Eventually, if your request has any semblance of logic, in the fullness of time — and if you have not passed out from apoplexy in the interim — it will probably be successful!

• Picture sitting in Yarkon Park, Tel Aviv, after Shabbat, one of 350,000 listening to the Israel Philharmonic, Yitzchak Perelman, Placido Domingo (who speaks excellent Hebrew, having got his professional start here some years ago) and soprano Rosario Aranande. That's a crowd about ten times the size of the average Toronto Argo attendance. There's not a sound from them during the performance, adults and children alike. The music is superb, of course, but the fact that this populace has such a regard for it and will flock to hear it . . .!

• Experience the amazing transformation — social and physical — of towns like Beit Dagan and Or Yehuda, "adopted" by Canadian Jewish communities through Project Renewal. Decaying, crime-ridden and demoralized districts now have a great deal of pride in planning and completing community projects, with direct input from Canadians. Blight is replaced with flowers; hooliganism with tennis and swimming, dejection with the alertness and joy of participating.

• Witness the abandoned joy of people recently arrived from one of the lands of our oppression. They struggled on foot across frontiers and drugged the little children, whom they carried for hours, so that their cries would not give them away to trigger-happy border guards. Everything but the clothes on their backs was left behind them. They left businesses and professions. They are, most importantly, now free and in Israel. Despite all of the usual problems of red tape and seemingly unfeeling officials who are responsible for absorption, they literally kiss the earth and thank God they are here. We tend to take Israel for granted. All we have to do is find the $1,500 or so for an airline ticket and in a few hours we are here. It takes people like these to remind us of the privilege given to us.

All of this, and much more, is still Israel.

For all its problems, and, yes, failings, it is a vibrant, thriving society, a people full of life and hope. What other people or country has gone through the metamorphosis and accomplishments of the past 39 years? Could any other?

The miracle is that the blemishes are not greater. The miracle is that the society has not collapsed.

Logic has always dictated our disappearance. Israel, and its people, continue to defy logic and continue to live the miracle.

Will stars court Kurt?

By
MARK DODICK

SOMEWHERE BEYOND OUR SOLAR SYSTEM (LITERALLY) —

He received blessings from the Pope; took tea with the king of Jordan and is slated to see the pyramids — could Kurt Waldheim's next official state visit be somewhere in the stars?

Perhaps forgotten amidst the international hullaballoo over Austria's president and his "trick" memory (does stunts and fails at the same time), is an action he took in his earlier posting as secretary general of the United Nations.

While cloaked in the mantle of humanity and wearing the garb of righteousness, the erstwhile secretary general had occasion to spread mankind's message of goodwill beyond this little blue planet. Far beyond.

On Aug. 20 and Sept. 5, 1977 the Voyager space probes were launched to send back information and pictures of the outer planets of our solar system.

Even now the intrepid craft continue to soar through space, still returning faint signals to a curious world. They inevitably head for the deep space where no man, nor man-made machine, has ever been.

And with those emissaries are gold-coated copper phonograph records containing photographs, music, an audio essay of earth sounds, greetings in almost 60 human languages (including Hebrew), a message from the president of the United States, and salutations from then UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim.

The message he included (without solicitation) is recorded in *Murmurs of Earth* *The Voyager Interstellar Record*, (Random House, 1978) by the group that compiled material for the record, Carl Sagan, F.D. Drake, Ann Druyan, Timothy Ferris, Jon Lomber, and Linda Salzman Sagan.

"We step out of our solar system into the universe seeking only peace and friendship, to teach if we are called upon, to be taught if we are fortunate," Waldheim says on the record.

"We know full well that our planet and all its inhabitants are but a small part of the immense universe that surrounds us and it is with humility and hope that we take this step."

One can imagine the possibilities.

Some distant extraterrestrial, whose form we can hardly picture, retrieves the probe and its contents.

Intrigued, he/she (it?) deciphers the dispatch and reads with rapt fascination the eloquent words of the former UN head.

Long aware of the effort on this planet to discover other life through huge radio telescopes, our counterpart (based on that moving greeting) decides it is finally worth establishing contact.

And in some secluded, mountain-top monitoring station a fatigued graduate student hears a message never yet received — and probably never expected: "Send us Kurt Waldheim."

Will a grateful earth comply? Will our scientists argue that the message is actually encoded and spend many pointless years searching for its "true" meaning? Or will we respond (curtly, of course): "If you really want him ...come and get him!"

Only time will tell.

Opinion

Remembering a message that's strong and clear and glorious

The view of Canadian Jews on the "boat people"

By
J. B. SALSBERG

Beyond doubt the single event that shook most Canadians out of their midsummer lethargy was the boatload of "East Indians" (mainly turbaned Sikhs) who waded from their mysterious ship before dawn onto the slumbering shores of a Nova Scotia hamlet. When our native fishing folk awoke that morning they found some 174 turbaned men squatting on their lawns waiting, as friendly visitors should, for the natives to wake from their sleep so as to introduce themselves and to explain the purpose and meaning of their unexpected presence.

J. B. Salsberg

After the unusual introduction and after the good, native Nova Scotian fishermen and their families had served the strangers a modest breakfast, the proper police and immigration authorities were notified of the happening. And then all latent racist and xenophobic demons sprang to life calling for war against the foreign invaders.

The fact that the "invaders" did not look like "typical Canadians" most certainly added to the alarm. Not unnaturally the Canadian media zoomed in on the unusual event. The press and the TV screens quickly became saturated with pictures of bearded, turbaned men, most with (ceremonial) daggers dangling from their belts in full view of peaceful Canadians.

That the event was newsworthy cannot be questioned. But the wildfire of opposition to the strangers in our midst is no credit to the reputation of this country and the sooner we recognize this and the quicker we extinguish that fire the better for Canada and for all Canadians.

In saying this I do not suggest that the "boatload of East Indians" are truly "refugees" as were, for instance, the 907 desperate Jews who escaped their Nazi enemies in 1939 and who were not allowed to land in Canada but were forced to return there on the SS St. Louis that was anchored with its human cargo off our Eastern coastline. Nor am I justifying "queue jumping."

What concerns me mainly at the moment is the response of Canadian Jews to the whipped-up frenzy about the East Indian "boat people" and the new, restrictive legislation that the present government of Canada placed before the special session of Canada's Parliament, called to deal with the "refugee crisis." The government's procedure actually heightens chauvinistic feelings.

Let me say that I am proud of the position taken by the organized Canadian Jewish community in relation to the latest group of boat people and to the broader issue of receiving refugees in our country. The Canadian Jewish Congress, the B'nai B'rith, Jewish Immigrant Aid Services and many prominent individual Jews, with Rabbi Gunther Plaut in the lead, made us all proud. Their outspoken position was in complete accord with the traditional Jewish attitude towards newcomers.

But it would be unnatural if some of our people were not to be affected by the prevailing anti-boat people virus. It is to them as well as to all of us, that I wish to recall the traditional Jewish position with regards to strangers, newcomers, refugees, who seek escape from their enemies and who seek safe havens elsewhere.

- When Moses led our forefathers out of Egyptian slavery they had neither passports nor visas. . . . The same holds true for the thousands of our forerunners who returned to build the Second Temple in their ancestral land. . . .
- The Jews who ran for their lives from the Spanish Inquisition and sought refuge in Holland also lacked proper identification papers, yet Holland welcomed them. . . .
- The Jews who were forced to flee as if from a devouring fire the notorious czarist pogroms on the eve of the present century, also left "without passports or proper identifications." So did the Jews who managed to escape the Hitlerite scourge. . . .
- As for people who look strange in the eyes of Canada's natives, let us remember that many of our own pioneering Jewish settlers here also wore beards, covered their heads at all times and some also wore "strange" outer garments on the Sabbath and, indeed, many still do on Bathurst St. and similar locations in Montreal. . . .

Above everything let us recall that the Bible advised us (Leviticus) in these words: "And if a stranger sojourn with thee, in your land, ye shall not do him harm." And, on the same page we are further instructed: "The stranger that sojourneth with you shall be unto you as the homeborn among you and though shalt love him as thyself; for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt."

That's strong and clear and glorious! Not only to tolerate the newcomer but to "love him as thyself."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address, phone number and handwritten signature.

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QUESTIONS "KOSHER" VEAL

I was glad to see Peter Singer's July 23 letter, "Update on kosher laws."

The chemical additives in our food today is just one of the reasons why our kosher laws need to be re-evaluated.

It is also questionable whether some of the meat labelled kosher conforms to the spirit of the laws of kashruth. Often, no consideration is given to how the animal which produced the meat was raised.

For an animal to be kosher, it cannot be sick and must be slaughtered with a minimum of suffering. Because of this, I seriously question whether veal can ever be honestly labelled kosher.

A veal calf's short life involves much suffering. They are kept confined so that they cannot develop muscles and are deprived of sunlight and iron so that their flesh stays white.

Veal calves invariably develop anemia.

Anyone who can consider the flesh of such a pathetic creature to be kosher may still be correct within the letter of the law, but is largely missing the intent of the law.

Rudy Brunell
Toronto

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HITLER'S RAPE

Re the July 2 article on a West German scholar who was dismissed following the publication of a thesis in which he maintained that Hitler created the state of Israel.

He suggested that the Jews would "eventually come to appreciate Hitler as the individual who contributed more than anyone else to the creation of the state of Israel."

I was appalled at this endeavor to initiate such a cause-effect relationship between the epitome of notorious savages and the heart of Judaism — the Jewish homeland.

With respect to Germany's role in the establishment of the State of Israel, some people might view it as the product of guilt — an obligation of post-war Germany to make amends for its attempts to wipe the Jews from the face of the earth.

I regard Israel as the offspring of a victim of rape — the victims being the survivors of the Holocaust who helped found the Jewish state.

The perpetrator of this analogous rape would then be Nazi Germany, driven to insanity by the Third Reich.

Pamela Cooper
Montreal

WHY NO JEWISH JUDGE?

I fully agree with S. Rogers in his July 23 letter about the Mulroney government's peculiar attitude to the Jewish voters in Metro Toronto in between elections.

If the Tories were first in the polls, they could afford to be arrogant, but not when they are a poor third. In fact, most of the ridings that went Tory in 1984 in Toronto could easily go Liberal in the next election.

The three federal ridings that contain a large Jewish population — St. Paul's, Willowdale and Don Valley East — voted Tory in 1979, Liberal in 1980, and Tory again in 1984. So they are ripe for a return to the Liberal fold.

It was the Trudeau government, with John Roberts as secretary of state, that appointed the last Jewish citizenship judge, the late Herbert Levy, in 1978.

One would think that the present secretary of state, David Crombie, a former mayor of Toronto and the Tory political minister for Metro Toronto, could find a suitable Jewish candidate for a citizenship judge.

The chief reason the provincial Tories lost 20 seats and power in 1985 was not that they had the wrong leader, but the fact they became arrogant and callous after 40 years in power. The federal Tories have accomplished this after only three years in power. They had better do some serious soul searching.

H. N. Starr
Toronto

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WHAT ABOUT BATTERED HUSBANDS?

Re the report on "Battered but not beaten: Preventing wife battering in Canada."

There is just about nothing said in the literature on husband battering.

A national report on the unspeakable pain suffered by battered husbands, at the hands of women, is long overdue.

H. Max Seiden
Toronto

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MULRONEY SOWS NDP WHIRLWIND

After appointing a string of Socialists to important and visible public positions in Canada and abroad, Prime Minister Mulroney and his caucus are now warning against the Socialist peril.

This is both comic and sad. He who sows the wind should not complain about the whirlwind. Mulroney has signalled the NDP's fitness to govern, more than Mr. Trudeau would ever have dared.

However, this is only part of the pattern.

The Prime Minister has also retained Trudeau's trusted associates in equally sensitive and influential positions. They range from Allan Gotlieb in Washington to the most senior civil servant in Ottawa (Paul Tellier); Ivan Head of the well-financed IDRC; Pierre Juneau at the CBC (with its slanted commentaries).

In retrospect, Mulroney and his people have done us a favor. For the first time since 1967, Canadian socialist government will be formal and in the *open*.

Open Socialism is better than the hidden Socialism that we have had. It promises a healthier political environment and invites the kind of polarization that Canada has needed.

After the next general election, true Conservatives will emerge to pick up the pieces and forge policies built on integrity, because true conservatism, like freedom, is indivisible — economic and social policies must reflect an honest and consistent set of beliefs. The challenge will be to articulate them.

Kathleen Fyfe
Ottawa

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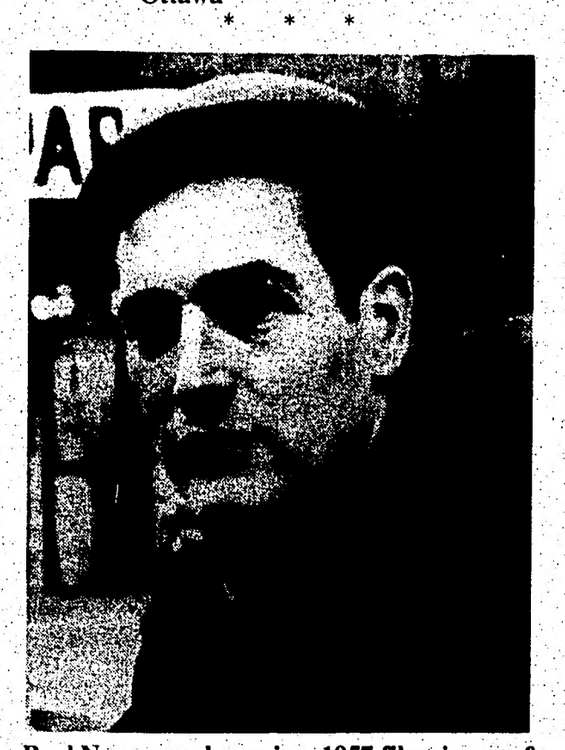

Paul Newman, shown in a 1957 film, is son of a Jewish father and Christian Scientist mother, and considers himself Jewish.

MIXED MARRIAGE FILM STARS

To settle a bet, is it true that the following film stars are the offspring of Jewish mixed marriages: Paul Newman, Cary Grant, Robert De Niro and Joan Collins? I'm betting that they are.

Sam Abrams
Toronto

Editor's note: You've won the wager. Paul Newman, now 62, who considers himself a Jew, is the son of a Jewish father, Arthur Newman, and a Roman Catholic mother who became a Christian Scientist.

Cary Grant, born Archibald Alexander Leach in Bristol, England, refused to talk about religion. His half-Jewish father died a drunk; his mentally disturbed mother was institutionalized.

Oscar-winning actor Robert De Niro is the son of two Greenwich Village artists, a Jewish mother and Italian Catholic father.

Joan Collins, the bitchy co-star of Dynasty, now 54, calls herself "a well-brought up half-Jewish girl," the daughter of a British Jewish theatrical agent.

PROFILE "RAISES MY EGO"

Thank you for Lou Seligson's column about me in your Montreal edition.

I was amazed at the amount of time spent and detail that he went into in getting his facts together. I am also astonished at the number of people who see and read the Seligson column.

As a well-worn newsman, he handled his assignment very well. As far as I was concerned, it raised my ego a few points, although his visual presentation could be subject to criticism.

Even though I did sell my business in April of this year, I was forced to repossess my company, as it did not work out with the people concerned. Therefore, I am back in full business and will be happy to handle motion picture and still photography assignments again.

Jack Markow
Montreal

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KUDOS FROM VOCATIONAL SERVICE

This is a brief note to thank you for the coverage we received in connection with the 40th anniversary of Jewish Vocational Service of Metropolitan Toronto.

The reporting was excellent and should serve to make our programs better known

Sandra Brown
Toronto

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GOLDIE HELPS RURAL JEWS

I read with interest the article entitled Canadian-American rural Jews share concerns (July 16.)

I was, however, somewhat disappointed that the conference organizers did not mention the contribution of Canadian Jewish Congress, Quebec Region's Small Communities Committee in arranging the participation of the Canadian speakers. Our director, Shellie Ettinger, worked very closely with Marsha Schwartz in this area and served as the liaison for these speakers and the conference.

CJC is strongly committed to servicing the small Jewish communities and places a high priority on providing assistance in whatever way we can.

In fact, both myself and the committee director have visited the Jewish communities in Quebec City and the Sherbrooke/Eastern Townships area to meet with community members, and service to these communities is now in place.

If any of your readership living outside the major centres would like to be put on our mailing list or simply want to explore how we can be of assistance to them, please contact our Small Communities committee at Canadian Jewish Congress, 1590 Ave. Dr. Penfield, Montreal H3G 1C5.

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ANTI-FASCIST MEDAL

Alan Rose, executive vice-president of Canadian Jewish Congress, was recently presented with the Terezin Anti-Fascist Medal by the Czechoslovak government at the site of the former concentration camp. Rose was recognized for his participation in the anti-fascist struggle. [Howard Kay photo]

When rabbis meet with Pope

Lay participation urged

By ANDREW MUCHIN

NEW YORK (JTA) — A principal Conservative layman has urged that Jewish congregational lay leaders be invited to join the rabbis scheduled to meet with Pope John Paul II in Rome in advance of the papal trip to the United States in September, including a now uncertain meeting with Jewish leaders in Miami.

Franklin Kreutzer of Miami, president of the United Synagogue of America, announced last week that he is "dismayed that the five delegates of spiritual dimension suggested for the meeting in Rome are not fully representative of the American Jewish community, of which the overwhelming majority consists of laymen."

The rabbis he alluded to represent the member groups of the International Jewish Committee on Interreligious Consultations (IJCIC), which was invited to meet with the Pope and Vatican officials (CJN Aug. 13).

However, a spokesperson of the Synagogue Council of America, a member of IJCIC, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that the five IJCIC delegates probably won't be chosen for two weeks, and would likely include two lay people — Dr. Gerhardt Rigner of Geneva, representing WJC; and Seymour Reich, president of B'nai B'rith.

In addition to SCA, IJCIC consists of the American Jewish Committee, B'nai B'rith International, Israel Interfaith Association and the World Jewish Congress (WJC). Since 1972, it has represented the Jewish world to the Vatican. United Synagogue is the association of 850 Conservative congregations in North America, and is a member of SCA.

Kreutzer said the issues to be discussed at the meeting — reportedly the Pope's recent audience with Austrian president Kurt Waldheim and the papal attitude in general toward the Holocaust — transcend theological concerns.

The Jewish world has strongly criticized the Pope-Waldheim meeting, and the American Jewish Congress has pulled out of the Sept. 11 Miami meeting scheduled between Jewish leaders and the Pope. SCA also has withdrawn, but has reserved the right to reconsider. Other organizations have said they are considering withdrawal, but the recently announced meeting may prevent that.

Kreutzer, however, is arguing a different principle. As he described it to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, rabbis can analyze and express ideas through a "spiritual dimension," but can't wholly express non-rabbis' visceral feelings about an issue. He said the Pope's meeting with Waldheim "literally is a sore festering in the minds, the hearts and the guts of North American Jewry."

Kreutzer contended that the laity accepts rabbinic participation, and he would like reciprocity. He may not get it. Rabbi Gilbert Klaperman, SCA president, told the JTA that enlarging the delegation is unnecessary and unwise.

Ongoing process

He explained that the invitation for the meeting from Johannes Cardinal Willebrands, president of the Vatican Commission for Religious Relations with the Jews, was for a group of about five. Klaperman said that number could develop "one-on-one relations and discussions with the people that we're meeting," which he considered the best way "to develop an ongoing process" of communication.

Even if most of the delegations would be rabbis, Klaperman added, they would represent non-rabbinic organizations. In addition, he said he would listen to Kreutzer's concerns about the Pope-Waldheim meeting if Kreutzer called.

The United Synagogue president said he has written of those concerns to Rabbi Mordecai Waxman, IJCIC chairman. Kreutzer claims that the Jewish delegation to the Rome meeting could be enlarged to include him as well as the top congregational lay leaders of U.S. Reform and Orthodox Jewry. He said he had not discussed the issue with any of them.

If his request is denied, he said he suspected "that the (Jewish) laity across North America will be very rebellious and will then make a decision as to what to do to this problem, because the Vatican should not be allowed to dictate" who represents the Jews on this issue.

The Jewish Quiz

QUESTIONS:

(1) Who was the founder of modern Chassidism in Eastern Europe?

(2) Who was Dov Baer, the Maggid of Mezhirech?

(3) What is Tanya?

Edmond Lipsitz

ANSWERS:

(1) Rabbi Israel ben Eliezer, the Baal Shem Tov.

(2) Successor of the Baal Shem Tov.

(3) "The written law of Chabad," the principal source of Chabad Chassidism, authored by Shneur Zalman of Lyady, the founder.

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Kach "training camp": Police probe legality

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — Police are checking whether members of Knesset member Meir Kahane's Kach movement broke the law by running a summer camp in the Jerusalem Forest, where youths were reportedly taught how to use weapons and hold up under questioning by Shin Bet investigators.

Police Inspector-General David Kraus said recently that officers in the police's national headquarters would look into a report in the Hebrew daily Yediot Aharonot that 60 Kach youths, aged 14 to 18, were assembling and dismantling weapons, singing pre-1948 Jewish underground songs with new lyrics, and receiving advice from their counselors on how to withstand investigation by Shin Bet security agents.

All this occurred during a week-long "training camp" run by Kach in a secluded area not far from the swimming pool in the Jerusalem Forest, the newspaper reported.

Education Minister Yitzhak Navon condemned the Kach camp and demanded that the police take action against the movement.

"There is a dangerous underground that intends to use arms to achieve its goals," Navon said. "The real problem is how society relates to these people, whether it will be forgiving and understanding, or whether a forceful and unambiguous stand will be taken against them."

Navon was joined by Knesset MK Chaika Grossman (Mapam), who has collected the necessary signatures to convene a special Knesset session to discuss the Kach camp, according to Israel Television.

MK Ran Cohen (Citizen Rights Movement) called for the arrest of the camp organizers and the investigation of all the youths involved.

Kach officials said that they had done nothing illegal and that they planned to open another week-long camp at another location.

"One of the central purposes of the camp is to motivate youths to volunteer for combat units in the army," said Kach spokesman Baruch Merzel.

But a less wholesome picture emerged from the Yediot article, which quotes one camp counselor as saying: "If the government makes concessions (on territory), my soldiers will need to prove themselves. My soldiers learn how to get around obstacles and arrive at their goal without being caught."

One of the youths interviewed reportedly said: "The only thing that stands between me and the throwing of petrol bombs is fear . . . I don't give a hoot about the law."

The Yediot article described the paramilitary aspect of the camp, where the young Kach "soldiers" stood to attention, wearing their yellow shirts with the clenched fist Kach emblem.

Rare mitzvah performed

ZIMRAT (JPFS) — **Hundreds of people marched through this Negev moshav and then gathered in the local synagogue to observe the rare mitzvah of "petter hamor" recently, the redeeming of the first-born he-ass.**

According to a tradition originating with animal sacrifices, the first issue of an ass — if it is a male — must be given to a kohen. Later, it may be redeemed for use by the owner, if he gives the kohen a sheep of equivalent monetary value.

Yisrael Bokhovza of this community bred such a he-ass, and decided to observe the ancient rite with the participation of all his neighbors. By coincidence, Zimrat's rabbi happens to be a kohen, so the ceremony was held in the local synagogue. "We have been waiting more than 20 years for this," one of the participants said.

Israel tourism boom continuing, government says

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — **The boom in Israel's tourism industry continued last month, as some 134,000 tourists entered the country, the Central Bureau of Statistics announced last week.**

Some 800,000 tourists came to the country in the first seven months of the year, 24% more than in the same period last year.

The figures also showed that the number of incoming tourists for the first seven months of the year was 2% higher than in the same period in 1985, the previous record year for the Israeli tourism industry.

The figures also showed that in the last few months there has been a marked increase in the number of tourists who entered Israel from Egypt. The number of such tourists totalled 61,300 in January-July, 48% higher than in the same period last year.

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Vote for Canadian seats at World Zionist Congress

Orthodox gain as Labor and Herut lose ground

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eliminate identical entries, therefore, persons could sign up more than once under variations of their names (e.g. Manny and Manuel). Perhaps, hundreds of people thus received more than one ballot.

However, most of these duplications were eliminated after the ballots were received, thanks, ironically, to the postal strike, Krentzman added. The ballots were mailed out June 8 and the subsequent postal disruptions forced the CZF to extend the deadline for the return of ballots from mid-July to the end of the month.

The extra time, according to Krentzman, allowed scrutinization for duplications or dubious ballots cast. Each slate was permitted to have a scrutineer.

The counting of eligible ballots was done by the outside company twice — by machine and by hand.

Votes for other slates were as follows: Labor Zionist Movement, 2,274; Zionist Organization of Canada, 1,549; Friends of Pioneering Israel, 753; Confederation of United Zionists, 682; Herut-Tehiya, 631; and the Independent Student Zionist List, 317.

The allocation of seats was done in two rounds, according to a formula outline in the World Zionist Organization regulations. In the first round, those slates receiving less than 764 votes (total number of eligible ballots (14,508) divided by the number of seats available [191]) were eliminated until the second round.

Those slates in the first round had their votes then divided by 764 for the first assignation of seats. A total of 14 seats were allotted in the first round.

In the second round, all slates are in contention: those eliminated in the first round enter the second round with their total votes, while those assigned seats in the first round enter their remaining votes after the original division. The rest of the five seats were given to those with the highest five votes in the second round.

Herut and Labor lost the most ground, compared to the last Zionist Congress four years ago. In 1983, Herut had three seats and Labor had five. The ZOC, which refers to itself as "General Zionists," had three. Kadima had only one seat.

Krentzman said the results of the Zionist elections in Canada and the United States are similar in that religious pluralism is a major issue and a large proportion of electors voted along religious lines. But they were quite different in atmosphere.

"I think the fairness and equality of the electoral process has been accepted by all. Although there were hints, no major challenges have been made against the way things were done. Everyone may not be happy, but a spirit of peace, mutual respect and cooperation have been evident."

Krentzman also feels the 25% turnout was good, given the fact that the election was held in the summer, a postal strike may have deterred some people from returning their ballot, and many were signed as members for the first time.

In November, a conference will be held for delegates, alternates and community leaders to discuss the issues facing the World Zionist Organization. The 31st World Zionist Congress will be held in Jerusalem Dec. 6-10.

The 19 delegates from Canada are:

United Torah Coalition — Kurt Rothschild, Roslyn Schneidman, Rabbi Menachem Gopin, Jack Kahn, Dorothy Zeifman.

Kadima — Rabbi Dow Marmur, Dr. Lewis Poch, Dr. Harvey Zimmerman, Rabbi Michael Stroh.

Labor Zionist — Florence Simon, David Kofsky, Pearl Mekler.

Mercaz Canada — William Abrams, Rabbi Erwin Schild.

Zionist Organization of Canada — Milton Winston, Clara Balinsky.

Confederation of United Zionists — Neri Bloomfield.

Friends of Pioneering Israel — Dr. Vivian Rakoff.

Herut-Tehiya — Sam Shainhouse.

Canada's policy "moral lapse"

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Allied powers), confirmed a longstanding Congress contention.

Frank Dimant, executive vice president of B'nai B'rith Canada, said "the great irony is that the survivors of the Holocaust had a more difficult time coming into this country, it would appear, than those who were responsible for the crimes."

He called the agreement between Canada, Great Britain and the United States to allow Nazis into each country and to withhold information about it "a moral lapse among the wartime Allies." He urged Parliament to seek the consent of the other governments to the immediate release of the information.

(Many parts of the 600-page Rodal report were heavily censored. One reason given was the information was received in confidence from another government.)

David Matas, lawyer for B'nai B'rith, said the report shows "a lack of willingness within the bureaucracy to do anything. They didn't care about the issue." He accused succeeding Canadian governments and officials of "obstructing justice."

Sol Littman, Canadian representative of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre for Holocaust Studies, said the Rodal report shows that "each successive government takes on the sins of its predecessors." Cabinet ministers and bureaucrats want secrecy for past activities to ensure secrecy in the future for their current activities.

The "real point" of the revelations, Littman said, is that "we're still looking at the war criminal issue as if it's a crime story. It's a political and ideological story."

The report, he said, "indicates we were terribly unconcered with the issues of Nazism and fascism and that our police force was so busy chasing Communists that it actually employed Nazis as informants."

Reform shows strength in Zionist elections

TORONTO —

Kadima's "spectacular success" in the recent Canadian election to the forthcoming World Zionist Congress "is a telling indication of the strength of Kadima and its readiness to play its part in the leadership of the Canadian Zionist federation," said Rabbi Dow Marmur, Kadima president, in a message released to The CJN over the weekend.

Kadima is the Zionist wing of the Canadian Council of Reform Jews.

Marmur said that the growth of the religious movements in Zionism, particularly in the non-Orthodox sector, "heralds a new era in which the conventional party political structure no longer reflects the grassroots. A time has come for radical rethinking."

He said the election "vindicates the democratic process in Zionist life and is a clear pointer to the need to put similar procedures in place in the CZF. Kadima plans to play a full part in it, thus helping to revive interest in and commitment to Zionism."

Marmur's statement continued:

"Kadima's progress from one delegate to the 1982 Congress to four delegates in 1987 (out of 19 from Canada) is part of a worldwide re-direction of the Zionist movement, reflected in the large number of representatives from the Reform and Conservative movement in the U.S., Canada, Great Britain, Holland, South Africa, Australia and possibly Brazil. It constitutes a clear manifestation of the Diaspora's resolve to affirm pluralism and to resist every effort to amend Israel's Law of Return or in other ways to disenfranchise millions of non-Orthodox Jews.

"However, Kadima is not a 1-man organization but will be involved in all aspects of Zionist work. It extends the hand of friendship and cooperation to all the constituents of the CZF and looks forward to working together with them for the good of the Jewish people."

Cabinet ran war: Sharon

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University guards dragged her out of the hall as Herutniks cheered and the dignitaries, including former foreign ministry director-general David Kimche, former chief of general staff Moshe Levy, former General Security Service executive Yossi Ginossar, former Aluf Menahem Eini and Aluf Yitzhak Mordechai, looked on in embarrassment.

The Lebanon war, unlike Israel's past wars, said Sharon, was the first to be run "from A to Z" by the cabinet, which met and discussed options and moves twice daily.

Objectives and targets were set out and debated for months before the first shots were fired. It was also, said Sharon, the "first war in which all objectives were achieved." The dead, he added, fell in a "just war" — though at no point during the lecture did Sharon mention the number of casualties.

On June 5, 1982, recalled Sharon, the cabinet agreed to Begin's proposal for a 40-km-deep invasion. "What about Beirut?" asked then deputy prime minister Simha Ehrlich. "It's beyond the picture," replied Sharon. "To go to Beirut will require a separate, specific decision," Begin replied, according to Sharon. But Begin pressed the ministers for a decision that night, lest the Americans intervene and prevent the invasion.

This was "an appropriate hour, because of the world's preoccupation with the Falklands and the Iran-Iraq war," Begin reportedly argued.

That day, Sharon said, he ordered the army to prepare for an invasion "as far as the Beirut-Damascus road, with a link-up with the Christians." But the army was to try to do things so that the Syrians would not fight.

Sharon then described in detail the successive briefings he gave the cabinet and the decisions the cabinet took about the following days' operations and planning for further operations.

"The cabinet was kept in the dark about nothing," he said.

He noted that several Labor Knesset members, including Mordechai Gur and Yitzhak Rabin, during the first days of the war, asked operational questions, seemingly pressing him, Sharon, to push the IDF up to the Beirut-Damascus road and to a link-up with the Phalangists.

Sharon said that he had "never opposed the withdrawal from Lebanon. Indeed, as early as October 1982 I proposed to Washington and Gemayel that we leave South Lebanon (north of the Litani) but for five positions, with 400 men in them."

But these proposals were not approved because (there were those) who wanted to make sure that nothing (favorable) would emerge from the war. That was the reason, said Sharon.

Sharon maintained that the opposition Labor Alignment had been apprised of the government's plans before the war was launched.

Lavi too costly, U.S. tells Israel

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The two ministers said that the money saved by abandoning the Lavi could go to other high-tech defence-related projects which would employ people left jobless by the closure of the Lavi production line at Israel Aircraft Industries and the many subcontracting firms engaged in Lavi-related work.

The U.S. state department announced that it had recommended to the Israeli government that it terminate plans to build the Lavi jet fighter. "Both the United States and Israel estimated production costs at a magnitude which could not be funded within our security assistance programs to Israel without crowding out other important projects," said state department spokesman Charles Redman. "Given the budgetary constraint we and Israel face we believe a decision by Israel to terminate the Lavi would be in the best interests of both our countries."

This message was nailed down by Secretary of State George Shultz a day later when he sent personal messages to Shamir, Peres, Rabin, Nissim and Minister of Economic Coordination Gad Yaacobi urging them to support the abandonment of the Lavi project.

Peres said Israel would take into account the urging by the U.S. administration. Sources in Washington said that continuing the Lavi would require an additional investment of $4-6 billion. Such a decision could bring about a sharp American reaction which would gravely affect mutual military purchases and thus harm the Israel defence establishment.

Earlier this year, then U.S. Deputy Defence Secretary Dov Zakheim spent five days in Israel trying to convince its political and military leaders that the Lavi, financed by U.S. grants, is too costly to produce. Zakheim urged the Israelis to abandon the Lavi in favor of an already tried and tested aircraft.

He proposed as options the F-16, manufactured by General Dynamics, and the F-18, each of which would be produced under licence in Israel and modified by the Israelis according to their needs.

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Studies on cancer

Israel research wins praise

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —
Israel's small size and its melting-pot of Jews from many nations are the key reasons why the country is viewed as an ideal cancer research centre, a Canadian researcher says.

Mount Sinai Research Institute's Dr. Alan Bernstein says that for certain epidemiologic studies a mix of Jews of different backgrounds is required.

"Jews from all over the world live in Israel so there is a genetic difference which would probably be reflected in different types of cancer."

Bernstein, who chairs the National Cancer Institute of Canada's advisory committee on research, said that cancer research is "a complicated multidisciplinary field."

The Israel Cancer Research Fund, on whose advisory board Bernstein sits, "is trying to support the whole spectrum since all areas spill over into each other."

Bernstein said that Israel's smallness means that scientists in various cities can coordinate effort.

"It's difficult for one centre to have all the disciplines but even if it did, the specialty might not be the exact kind needed to interact with," he said.

"As a Canadian scientist, I saw when I was there last fall that they have an advantage in that it's easier for them to get together ... they're not more than 300 kilometres apart. I collaborate with people all over the world. If I want to get together with someone in Vancouver it's about 5,000 kilometres.

Bernstein notes that Israeli scientists don't have as much money as North American ones and without ICRF support "there wouldn't be research there as we know it ... many scientists would have to choose another career or leave Israel.

"When I was there, it struck me how little funds they had and how much they were managing to get done. Salaries are low and funds to buy equipment and supplies is also minimal."

This dependency on organizations like ICRF, which was founded in 1976 for the sole purpose of funding cancer research, is even more acute given Israel's recent cutbacks to universities and institutes.

"They were never well off before ... Israel has lots of other priorities that are equally needed, for instance, agricultural research."

Bernstein called ICRF, which in the past 11 years has distributed $4.6 million (U.S.) to Israeli projects, a good granting agency in that scientists must submit a proposal to an international scientific panel for review.

"There's a real temptation in a small country to have grants reviewed parochially — there's a tendency to scratch each other's back. All proposals are reviewed outside the country — this year in New York — by top-notch medical people who know what good research is," he said.

"They recognize the need for good peer review. They want to identify bright cancer researchers and help them."

Bernstein explained that the scientific review panel studies each proposal individually prior to the meeting and then when they meet as a group go through the list assigning them priorities and recommending a dollar amount. Applicants' other sources of funding are also noted but Bernstein says this amount usually is "peanuts" — the ICRF provides between 25% and 75% of all research money.

In March, the advisory panel awarded $1.02 million (U.S.) to more than 50 Israeli scientist for fiscal year 1987-1988. Some of these projects were renewals.

"We don't give someone a grant for just one year ... there has to be continuity," he said, adding that in Canada, funds are awarded for at least two years and more usually as many as three to five years.

He stressed that this is important in scientific funding as few projects last for just a year. The project director has to build a team and no one would participate if it were for that short a duration.

Bernstein stressed that cancer research is important because it "covers a whole spectrum of medical research that impinges on other areas. Technically and conceptually cancer research attracts the best people so new techniques and approaches are realized here and have potential in other areas. Cancer research leads the way in telling other disciplines how to approach problems.

"AIDS is not a cancer problem but it seems to be caused by a virus that looks like other cancer viruses and it's mostly cancer researchers who are working on the disease. In the U.S., almost all funding for AIDS projects comes from the cancer institute."

Asked to single out a noteworthy project currently being funded, he said Dr. Varda Rotter is working on a gene called p53 which is involved in a variety of cancers.

Bernstein explained that within the past five to 10 years, scientists have isolated a group of genes called oncogenes and it has been shown that any mutation in any of those genes gives rise to cancer. More than 40 oncogenes have been identified of about 100 in the system.

Bernstein said that this field will allow scientists to isolate the genes responsible for cancer.

"It's like a malfunctioning car, if you can identify the problem, you can fix the car. We're now getting to that point."

Bernstein said that up until now, doctors remove cancer by toxic drugs, toxic radiation or by surgery, which he termed reasonable approaches to fix the problem. Because doctors can't give individuals too many chemicals or remove too many cells, they are limited by how vigorously they can can treat patients.

Bernstein said that by identifying and isolating the cancer gene "we can develop a treatment which would kill only that cell." He said a large group of Israeli scientists are working on oncogenes and are at the forefront of research — "it's the hot area right now."

The Toronto doctor said that the techniques of isolating mutant cells are already being used in some centres for various types of cancers especially leukemia.

As for a time frame for a treatment, Bernstein said probably within the next decade.

"Everyone has no doubt it will happen but just when is in doubt. We've a long way to go but we've also come a long way.

"There's a lot of excellent cancer research in Israel which is deserving of support and ICRF is well spent money."

Dr. Alan Bernstein is pictured in his lab at Mount Sinai Hospital Research Institute.

Court wants prisoners to have conjugal rights

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —
The High Court of Justice last week rejected an application by a convict to order the Prisons Authority to enable him to have sexual relations with his wife once a month, either in prison or on special home leave.

The court, however, found that conviction for a crime should not include depriving the convict of his conjugal rights and urged the authorities to change the relevant laws and regulations.

Justice Menachem Eilon, who handed down the ruling in the case of Haim Louis Weill, a 50-year-old convict who is serving a 3-year sentence, said that the right to have sexual relations with one's wife was "basic to our world view and to Judaism."

Weill claimed that his wife was, at 50, still capable of conceiving, and that he should therefore be allowed to observe "the commandment to be fruitful and multiply."

Eilon criticized the current regulations in the matter, which not only deprive a convict of his freedom but also of his human dignity. The denial of conjugal rights was also a contributory factor to the spread of homosexuality in prisons, "with the weaker-willed prisoners being its victims."

But the three judges rejected Weill's application, saying that they were bound by the present law and regulations. The latter, they found, were a reasonable and authorized interpretation of the penal code, although they urged that they be changed.

Justices Aharon Barak and Dov Levin concurred. Barak, however, extended the principle enunciated by Eilon by urging that all prisoners, both married and single, be permitted to have regular sex.

However, the High Court ruling urging that prisoners be allowed conjugal visits from their spouses is meaningless without " proper guidelines" for the authorities who are to supervise such visits, a Beersheba detainee's wife said later.

Ilana, 21-year-old wife of a 26-year-old man in jail for possessing drugs, was told that since the couple had been undergoing hormonal treatment for fertility problems, her husband would be given home leave for a few hours to permit them to have sexual relations.

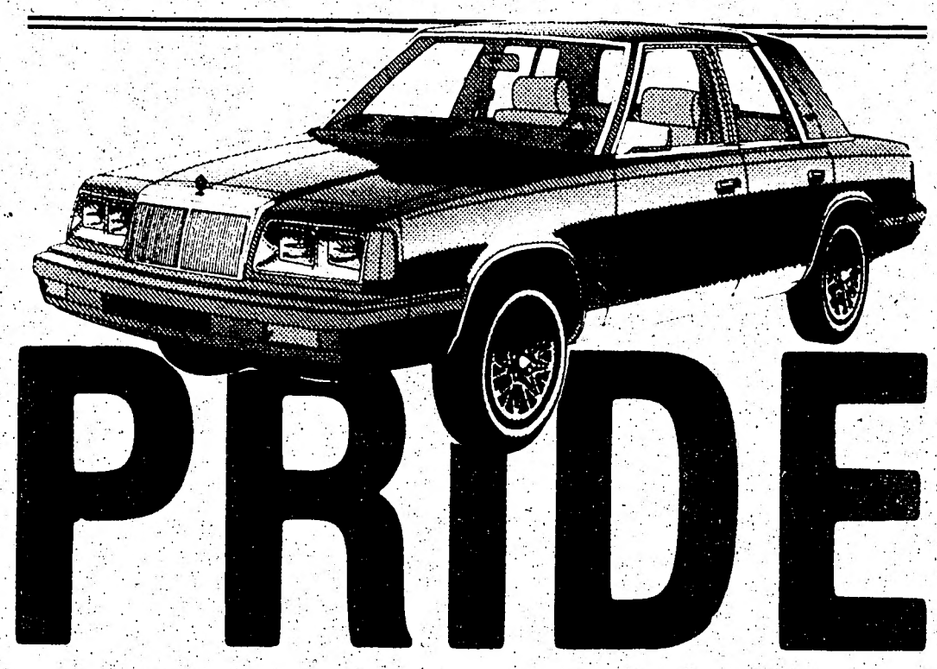
But, she added, the leave was useless since her husband was brought home handcuffed, with his legs in shackles. The couple decided that in such circumstances they did not wish to have relations.

The next day, following a court order, Ilana's husband was brought home again, this time unshackled. However, as the couple retired to their bedroom, the police officers insisted upon sitting in the adjacent living room. When the couple begged them to leave them in privacy, the officers agreed, but only on condition that all the doors be left open.

Rosenne assumes new post

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —
Former ambassador to Washington Meir Rosenne has taken on a top fund raising position at Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Hospital, having been named its "chairman of international relations."

Rosenne, who served as ambassador to the United States for four years until several weeks ago, will try to boost the financial position of the debt-ridden hospital.



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By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —

Music's ability to transcend all else is the focal point in a program which will be instituted this fall at Baycrest Centre and Baycrest School.

Organizer Selma Edelstone said Inter-Link, which is based on the 9-year-old Close Harmony program in New York, is to set the environment whereby seniors can interact with children through music.

Groups of between 30 and 55 children will rehearse for a Dec. 9 concert and an equal number of seniors will practice at their own location. They will only meet twice in late November for two dress rehearsals. The same cycle will begin again in January and culminate in a late May concert.

However, the key of the American program for which Edelstone and Mel Shipman, head of North York Board of Education's intergeneration program, are striving is a pen pal campaign. In fact, Edelstone said the board is so excited about the program, it is making the pen pal portion part of the writing and English curriculum.

"The North York Board of Education was so excited about the program that they've given us a grant and will pay musical director John Herberman's salary (and that of his accompanist) and the transportation costs until the end of December (its year end)."

Edelstone formulated the idea in June 1986 when she and her husband Gordon went on a trip with Sid and Sheila Loftus — he is president of Baycrest Centre's board of directors.

"He gave me the go-ahead to work with Jacqueline Edelson, director of The Joseph E. and Minnie Wagman Centre. Then I started looking for a musical director and settled on John, who's a composer but also teaches at an Oakville school and conducts a seniors group at Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living.

"After that I went to Mel Shipman ... and he put me in touch with various schools. We decided on Baycrest school — the principal is Syd Stephens — because it was important to have a school near the centre."

Edelstone is optimistic that the program will do for seniors here what it did for seniors at Council Centre for Senior Citizens, which is run by National Council of Jewish Women, in terms of both helping themselves and the children.

A 25-minute video, whose film version won an Academy Award for best short documentary in 1982, clearly shows the development of a close rapport between the young and the old, and how each group through friendship changes its attitude towards the other and to a lesser extent towards itself.

The children filmed said that their attitude towards the old had changed — instead of viewing them simply as "people who bugged you at the shopping mall" they became real people. Another girl said that reading her pen pal's letters "influenced me to do what I want when I get old."

Stay young forever

As for the seniors, one said, "to us, age doesn't mean anything ... if you go out and do things, you can stay young forever" while another said, "as long as you're active, you're not old."

Edelstone said Inter-Link makes sense since a lot of seniors live in a vacuum — their families have grown up and perhaps moved away so they have little contact with youth. Although Baycrest has some programs which involve young people, there is little opportunity for interaction.

"The pen pal aspect of the program creates greater awareness of each other. Older people are not all cranky and do like to do things ... seniors get a kick out of reading about what the kids are doing.

"It's an enriching experience for both groups."

She explained that the 9-month project is budgeted at $10,000. Although North York Board of Education has budgeted $2,450 in its current fiscal year which ends in December, more funds are needed to reach that objective.

She has had meetings with both the Ontario Arts Council and North York's parks and recreation granting department. She expects to hear from both next month.

As well, Baycrest Centre is establishing a special projects fund so that individuals can contribute and receive a tax deduction.

Asked why she was interested now, Edelstone replied that her mother is in a home in her native Montreal.

"I see the loneliness and no interaction with the young. I see the isolation of the old," she said, adding that when the baby boomers are 65, the bulk of society will be seniors.

"Knowing how isolated our young are from the old, I think that by creating an awareness of them makes sense."

It's not the first time the grandmother of a 7-month-old girl has been involved in an education program. In 1969, shortly after moving here from Montreal, she started a school on Saturdays at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education. The New School for Human Studies was an enrichment program for children aged 14 to 18 years. The school ended soon after she quit to work at a local advertising agency.

Consul-General Benjamin Abileah (left) with Rabbi Jordan Pearlson, Morris Kaufman, Jack Israeli, Sidney Chelsky and Ron Oelbaum.

Miracles occurring in Israel consul informs reception

TORONTO —

Consul General of Israel Benjamin Abileah was on hand at a recent cocktail reception sponsored by the Ron Oelbaum Tribute Committee and the Toronto board of directors of the Canadian Associates of Ben-Gurion University.

Abileah told about 60 invited guests at the Primrose Club fund raiser, the first in a series of events which will culminate in a spring Tribute Dinner honoring community leader Ron Oelbaum, that "Zionism at its best has always been the dream of making the desert green."

Abileah spoke of the "miracles" in progress as Israel approaches its 40th anniversary including the fact that the country has become a food exporting nation with the production of six times as much food with only twice the amount of water that was used in earlier years.

He also pointed out that the current Middle East peace debate is focused on "how to attain peace, not on whether peace is attainable."

Other speakers included Associate vice-president Rabbi Jordan Pearlson, who described the innovative approach to the coordination of health care delivery and medical training, and Morris Kaufman, associate chairman of the major gifts committee, who recalled former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion's vision of the Negev. Ben-Gurion said: "The future of Israel is in the Negev. Its development will become a reality through our pioneering spirit and the application of science."

BGU faculty members present at the event were Prof. Jacob Beckstein, visiting professor at the Institute for Theoretic Astrophysics at the University of Toronto, and Dr. Shlomo Walfish, a fellow with the U of T's faculty of medicine, department of surgery.

International exchange taking teen applicants

MONTREAL —

Interculture Canada, an international youth exchange organization, announced the availability of 160 places this year for Canadian teenagers wishing to further their secondary education abroad.

There is a choice of some 35 countries. Departures are in summer or in winter depending on the country chosen. The program lasts 11 to 12 months.

Students 15-18 interested in obtaining more information about Interculture Canada programs may call toll free: 1-800-361-1879 for 807 area code, and 1-800-361-7248 for 705, 416 and 519 area codes, or write to 59 St.-Jacques St., Suite 700, Montreal H2Y 1K9.

Final applications must be received by Oct. 30 for winter departures and Nov. 30 for summer departures.

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Location: Toronto - some travel required.

Please send curriculum vitae to: B'nai Brith Women of Canada, Penny Krowitz - Executive Director, 638A Sheppard Avenue West, Suite 210, Downsview, Ontario M3H 2S1.

Organizations and People

What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

OUR NEW ADDRESS

A reminder that our new address is 10 Gateway Blvd., Suite 420, Don Mills, Ont., M3C 3A1. The phone number is 422-2331.

HOLIDAY DEADLINES

As you know, the regular deadline for the What's New and About People columns is 5 p.m. Monday, the week prior to publication (i.e. 10 days before the issue date). However, since Labor Day falls on Monday, Sept. 7, there will be changes in the deadlines for both the Sept. 10 and Sept. 17 issues.

The deadline for the Sept. 10 issue is 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 28. The deadline for Sept. 17 issue is 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 4. I will be at my desk on both those days to receive your calls.

Sunday, Aug. 23

SHAAREI-BETH EL PICNIC

Shaarei-Beth El Congregation of Oakville is holding its annual picnic on Sunday, Aug. 23, beginning at noon at Wedgewood Park, Oakville.

There will be lots of fun, games, swimming and prizes. Hot dogs, hamburgers and drinks will be sold, but please bring your own salads and chairs.

IN CONCERT

Concert pianist **Lola Julitta Kane** will appear in a recital at the Wagman Centre on Sunday, Aug. 23, at 2 p.m. The program will include a wide selection of semi-classical Jewish and Hebrew music. Everyone is welcome.

And What Else Is New...

WOMEN AND HEALTH

The 2nd annual symposium on Women and Health, co-sponsored by the Mount Sinai Hospital Auxiliary and the Program in Gerontology, University of Toronto, will deal with Aging: Focus on Mental Health. It takes place Wednesday, Sept. 16, from 9.30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE), 252 Bloor St. W.

This 1-day event is designed to educate the community about the impact of aging on our mental health and to provide specific strategies for coping with any problems which may arise.

Keynote speakers will be **Dr. Eric Pfeiffer**, director of Suncoast Gerontology Centre, Tampa, and **Leonard Pearlin**, professor, department of psychiatry and of human development and aging program, University of California, San Francisco.

Panelists will include **Dr. Morris Freedman**, neurologist, Mount Sinai Hospital; **Sandra Pyke**, professor, department of psychology, York University; **Blossom Wigdor**, director, Program in Gerontology, U of T; **Bonnie Erickson**, professor, department of social work, U of T; **Etta McEwan**, director of social work, Baycrest Hospital, and **Merrijoy Kelner**, professor, department of behavioral science, U of T.

Symposium co-chairmen are **Henrietta Chesnie** and **Rosalind Witkin**.

The fee of $15 includes 9 a.m. coffee and lunch. Registration deadline is Sept. 2. For information, call 586-8290.

TENNIS ANYONE?

Here's an opportunity to improve the quality of life for Israeli youngsters while improving your forehand, backhand, volley and serve!

Be a participant in the Israel Tennis Centre's Young Leadership 1st annual all-day tennis clinic in support of ITC special programs. The clinic, for ages 20-40, is being held Sunday, Aug. 30, from 8.30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Canadian National Tennis Centre, York University. Twelve top professional coaches will conduct 5½ hours of on-court instruction.

The cost is $125 per person, tax deductible (to maximum allowable) and includes video tape analysis, breakfast and lunch, ITC T-shirt, a little sweat, a lot of fun and a video presentation of the ITC's program.

All proceeds will go to the ITC Wheelchair Tennis program, a one-to-one instruction for retarded kids, a peace program bringing Arab and Jewish kids together on the court.

Space is limited, so book early by calling **Marion Blackhall** at 669-2420.

LIVING WITH ARTHRITIS

The Arthritis Society is sponsoring a series of four seminars for persons with arthritis, their families and friends. Topics will include types of arthritis, medical treatment, physical problems, psychological problems, dietary management and quackery in arthritis.

The seminars will take place on four consecutive Mondays, Sept. 1, 8, 15 and 22, from 7.30-9.30 p.m. at the Manufacturer's Life Insurance Building, 200 Bloor St. E.

The fee for the entire series is $10 per person or $20 per family. Advanced registration is advised. Call the Arthritis Society at 967-1414.

SHALOM VILLAGE, HAMILTON

Special programs arranged for Hamilton's Shalom Village Retirement Home this week include Festival of Friends at Gage Park on Friday, Aug. 21, at 12.30 p.m. (pack a lunch); a picnic in the park then a drive in the country on Sunday, Aug. 23, at noon, and magician **Scottie Long** on Wednesday, Aug. 26, at 7.30 p.m.

Ongoing programs include fun and fitness and exercises, coffee and chat (Mondays to Fridays), in-chair exercises (Mondays and Wednesdays), bingo (Tuesdays and Thursdays), ceramics (Mondays), Yiddish readings with **Rena** (Saturdays at 2.30), and crafts with **Becky** (Thursdays).

Shalom Village is located at 70 Macklin St., N., Hamilton. The phone number is 528-5377.

FASHION FLAIR & BOUTIQUE SHOW

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Sisterhood will be holding its annual Fall Fashion Flair and Boutique Show on Wednesday, Sept. 16, at the synagogue, 100 Elder St.

There sre still some spaces available for dealers in the boutique area. For information, call the synagogue office at 633-3838.

MY FAIR LADY

Casablanca Chapter, Toronto Women's ORT, has tickets available for the annual trip to Artpark to see the delightful My Fair Lady on Wednesday, Sept. 2. (the week before the long holiday).

For tickets, call **Rose and Lou Chaplick** at 789-2578 or **Rae Prussky** at 493-8323 or the ORT office at 787-0297.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers! Jewish Family & Child Service needs you — Big Brothers, tutors, drivers, friendly visitors! If you have the time, interest and desire to help others, please contact **Shirley Worth** at JF & CS at 638-7800, ext. 214.

TALENT NIGHT

The Entertainment and Cultural Connection of Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue is planning another talent night. If you are interested in taking part, send a letter to **Jerry Genesove**, 625 Roselawn Ave. Apt. 304, Toronto M5N 1K7.

YOUTH SERVICES STAFF

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue youth department requires staff for various areas of the High Holiday youth services.

Anyone interested can obtain further information by calling youth director **Marlene White** at 633-2731.

BRAILLE VOLUNTEERS

Braille instruction begins at the Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) in September, for volunteers who enjoy a challenge and can make a major time commitment to this satisfying and rewarding career.

If you have time to give on a long-term basis, call the North York Volunteer Centre at 481-6194 for more information.

ASSAULTED WOMEN'S HELPLINE

The Assaulted Women's Helpline, 863-0511, is the only centralized 24-hour phone service for women assaulted in the home. Counsellors are available on the phone day or night to provide emotional support, as well as information about emergency shelters, legal services, counselling and other community services.

The Helpline is operated by nine community organizations and funded by the ministry of community and social services and Metropolitan Toronto.

FREE TORAH HIGH SCHOOL

Free Torah High School is a newly developed school dedicated to furthering the Jewish education of all Jewish high school students throughout Toronto. Classes will be held on Mondays and Thursdays from 4.30-6.30 p.m.

Courses will be offered on various levels to accommodate youngsters from different backgrounds. Topics to be covered will include Talmud (**Rabbi Baruch Taub**), Sephardi Minhag and Halacha (**Rabbi Amram Assayag**), contrasts and similarities between Ashkenazi and Sephardi practices (**Gabriel Ohayon**), and Jewish history (**Rabbi Ira Berman**).

There will also be courses in conversational Hebrew on several levels and a special Jewish arts program involving Jewish music and Israeli dancing.

Registration will be held on Sept. 21. For further information, contact the executive director **Rabbi Nosson Westreich**, at 782-3117 or 782-5422.

BBW MARKHAM UNIONVILLE

The Markham Unionville Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, meets every second Wednesday at 8 p.m. For further information, call **Ellen Covent** at 477-4533.

INCEST SURVIVORS' GROUP

A supportive therapy group is being formed to offer participants an opportunity to explore, understand and resolve the impact of their incest experience on their past and present life.

The group, under the auspices of Jewish Family & Child Service in conjunction with the YWCA, will run Sept. 1-Oct. 20. The fee is $55 for the eight weeks. Subsidies are available.

For further information, phone **Gail Solish** at JF & CS at 638-7800.

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RACE AIDS SUNNYBROOK

Molson Indy pre-race celebrations helped raise over $50,000 shared equally by the B'nai B'rith Foundation and Sunnybrook Medical Centre. The money was raised from a dinner, auction and Monte Carlo held at the Harbour Castle Convention Centre. Jackie Stewart (left), renowned Formula One driver and 27-time Grand Prix winner, was master of ceremonies. With him is Frank Dimant, executive vice-president B'nai B'rith Canada.

TV ACTOR SPEAKS

The Canadian Society for Yad Vashem recently held a cocktail reception at which TV actor Harvey Atkin was featured guest speaker. From left, Canadian Society chairman Dr. Joel Dimitry, hostess Rose Ziner, Harvey Atkin, board members Vivianne Ziner-Green and Alex Eisen and contributor Barbara Barrett.

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What's New

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LEAH POSLUNS THEATRE SCHOOL

The Leah Posluns Theatre School offers a comprehensive selection of part-time courses from beginners to professional levels.

Courses include creative drama for children, acting for teens and adults, scene study, monologues, audition techniques, improvisation, movement, voice, musical theatre, scriptwriting, directing, backstage workshops, and professionalize yourself, (an intensive theatre course for lawyers, executives and management to develop confidence, image style and communication skills).

The Theatre School has a unique outreach program and can design special workshops for teachers and students which are given at the school or at individual schools.

All sessions are taught by accomplished theatre professionals and are limited in size to allow for individual attention.

For information, call **Rose Dubin** or **Valerie Mitonides** at 636-1880, ext. 230 or 271.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

Leave your child to play and learn in a warm and stimulating environment. Programs for children 2 and 3 years of age are available Mondays-Thursdays from 9 a.m. to noon at 44 Edinburgh Dr. Children in diapers are most welcome.

The curriculum includes Jewish holidays and traditions, art, free play, songs and dance, and kosher snacks. The staff is comprised of certified teachers.

For information, contact **Reva** at 638-2566.

at the jcc

The Jewish Community Centre has a great lineup of fall events and classes. If you are interested in any of the programs for pre-schoolers, children or adults, contact **Joanne** at the Bloor Y in order to receive the fall brochure. The number is 924-6211.

Are you shy and looking to make friends? A new young adult social group, available to meet on evenings and weekends, will help you make new friends, explore new avenues, strengthen social skills and more. For more information, call **Nurit Cohn** at 636-1880, ext. 238.

for seniors

Earl Bales Senior's Club's next dance with a live band is set for Sunday, Aug. 23. The charge is $3 members, $4 non-members...The variety show, Music, Mirth and Magic, on Thursday, Aug. 27, at 7.30 p.m. at Earl Bales Community Centre, features the Great Sandini Moments of Magic; **Sammy Eidelman**, songs of the shtetl; **Bert Levy**, the hamishe humorist; **Ronnie Rosenberg** at the piano, and surprise acts. This is a Bert Levy production. Admission is free for members, $1 for non-members...A day trip by bus to Barrie, Huronia, Midland and Indian Village is planned for Tuesday, Sept. 1, for members only. The price is $14 per person... New or nearly new saleable goods for the upcoming bazaar, to take place tentatively Sunday, Oct. 18, would be appreciated. For further information regarding these events, call the office at 636-7856, Monday to Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Friendship Club is holding a general meeting on Sunday, Aug. 23, at 1.30 p.m. at the synagogue, 100 Elder St. Refreshments will be served. The charge is $1 members, $2 visitors. For information, call **Bess** at 783-3206.

The LZA Senior Citizens Club meets daily at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave., from noon to 4 p.m. for an afternoon of cards, chess and shuffleboard. Light lunches are available...Every Tuesday morning at 10, the Cultural Circle discusses a topic of current interest. On Aug. 25, **Israel Kopyto** will be speaking on As the Historian on the Warsaw Ghetto...Registration for the Miami trip takes place every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to noon at the Borochov Centre until the trip is filled. Past trips — five, seven, and nine weeks — have been most successful, so register as soon as possible, as the quota is rapidly being filled.

Workmen's Circle Social Club meets on Tuesday, Aug. 25, at noon at 471 Lawrence Ave. W., for lunch and bingo and signing up for the Miami trip. For information, contact **Shirley Grotell** at 222-7727.

The JCC North-East Valley Club Chaverim, 7015 Leslie St., has meetings every Monday afternoon from 1-3 (excluding holidays). Come out and join this congenial group for bingo, games, movies, speakers and entertainment. For more information, call **Sally Kerbel** at the Valley office at 889-0813.

At the **Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave., programs and concerts in the Assembly Room this week feature concert pianist **Lola Julitta Kane** on Sunday, Aug. 23, from 2-3 p.m. and the hamishe humorist **Bert Levy** with accompanist **Ronnie Rosenberg** on Tuesday, Aug. 25, from 7.30-8.30 p.m...**George Almassy**, member and instructor of whittling and wood-carving at the centre won 3rd prize in the Famous People category at the International Woodcarving Festival held in Windsor, Ont., recently. His mahogany sculpture of **Golda Meir** competed in a field of more than 40 entries from across Canada and the U.S.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

You are invited to attend the centre's annual open house, entitled Showcase on Creative Living, on Tuesday, Aug. 25, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be hands-on craft demonstrations, day-long entertainment, new fall program information, speakers featured by the La'briyut Wellness Centre and the Lifelong Learning Institute, a food fair, and staff and members on hand to welcome you.

The Friendship Circle, for people 55 and over and living on their own, will meet on Thursday, Aug. 20, at 7 p.m. in the music room. Instrumentalist **Gavin Steiner** will present a musical program. This is for Freindship Circle members only. The charge is $1. For information, call the centre.

The Sunday program on Aug. 23, at 2.30 p.m. features the movie Fletch. Admission is $1 members, $1.50 non-members.

The Wednesday afternoon social on Aug. 26 presents vocalist **Ilene Brass**. That's at 1.30 p.m. Refreshments will be served following the entertainment. The price is $1.25 members, $1.75 non-members.

On Thursday, Aug. 27, at 1.30 p.m. staff dietician **Paula Ruch** will talk on The Art of Successful Weight Loss. All health lectures are open to the community. There is no charge for members. Non-members are charged $1.

About People

ST. CATHARINES RABBI

St. Catharines' Conservative synagogue, B'nai Israel, has a new spiritual leader, **Rabbi Philip Cooperman**.

Born in Ireland, Rabbi Cooperman received his smicha at Ket Head Yeshiva in London. His most recent posting was in Paarl (near Capetown), South Africa.

Rabbi Cooperman is expected to take up his new duties in St. Catharines during the first week in September.

Sarah Birnbaum

Eric Caplan

NCJW SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

The National Council Of Jewish Women of Canada's Irene Samuel Scholarships are awarded to students who have completed their first year at an accredited university and who would be eligible, at graduation, to receive teacher certification in the field of Hebrew/Judaic studies. The scholarships consist of monetary awards for tuition expenses.

The recipients must be committed to seek employment in the Judaic department of a recognized Hebrew/Jewish school in Canada for a 2-year minimum at the completion of training.

The 1987 winners are **Eric Caplan** of Montreal and **Sarah Malka Birnbaum** of Toronto.

Eric, who has a Master's degree, has attended Hebrew University in Jerusalem. An accomplished musician, he plays piano and guitar and writes music as well. He has been involved as a youth program director and has served as a research assistant at the University of Toronto.

Sarah, who has completed her first year at the U of T, has a teaching certificate from Michlala Jerusalem College for Women. She has received numerous academic scholarships and awards and has been a community volunteer, taught students classical Jewish texts at the Hebrew University and organized innumerable programs for the North American Students Network.

ONTARIO ADVISORY COUNCIL

Fanny Goose of London, Ont., has been appointed to the Province of Ontario Medal for Good Citizenship Advisory Council for a 2-year period.

Fanny Goose

An outstanding citizen herself, Mrs. Goose has been and still is active in almost every cultural, business and community endeavor in the London area. A recipient of the State of Israel Bonds Ben-Gurion Award and a past president of Beth Tefillah Sisterhood and the local Hadassah chapter, she has also been involved with London's orchestra, theatre, art gallery, Chamber of Commerce and Business Improvement Association and is presently working on a fashion show fund raiser for developmentally handicapped children coming up on Sept. 16.

Holocaust survivors, Mrs. Goose and her husband **Jerry** arrived in Canada from Poland in 1949. They run two businesses together — a real estate company and a clothing shop.

singles events

Singles Events is an advertising feature of The Canadian Jewish News. For information on rates and deadlines please call Karen at 422-2528.

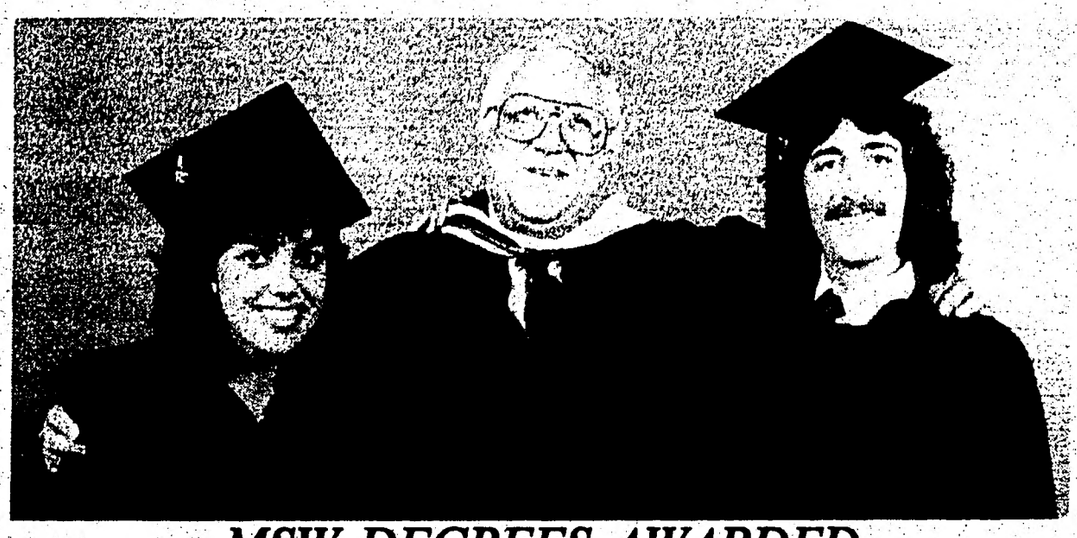
Metro Toronto Singles Presents: **Guys & Dolls Singles Party,** Monday Aug. 24, 8:30 p.m., Roony's, 2 Rosehill Ave. — Door Prize — 1 yr. membership to Guy's & Doll's Introduction Service. — Snacks — $6.00. Sid 222-7111.

Party for college and university-educated men & women, Saturday, August 22nd. The Adelaide Club. Theme: "Meeter's Digest." By membership. High Society 783-8520.

Four hour evening cruise on the famous Mariposa Belle. For Singles 25 & over. Join Toronto Table Talk for a super evening on Saturday, Aug. 29. Dancing - Full Service Cash Bar — **Buffet Dinner** - all this plus 2 months free "Table Talk" membership for only $45.00. For booking & full details 960-5877.

J.C.C. N.E. Valley Singles Network invites all singles 49 plus to a B.B.Q. Swim & Dance Party on Sunday, Aug. 23 at 7:00 p.m. (rain or shine) at 7015 Leslie Street. $10.00 per person. For more information call Sally Kerbal 889-0813.

STRIKE UP NEW FRIENDSHIPS IN YOUR SPARE TIME! "SINGLES SET" MIXED TEN PIN BOWLING LEAGUE is starting their 2nd fun-filled season on Monday, September 14, at 8:00 p.m. At Power Lanes, Bathurst/Finch Plaza. Two games and out by 10, leaving time for coffee and socializing. Our first successful season included: Chanukah Roll & Prize Party, Banquet at Stage West dinner Theatre, Atlantic City Junket, Bar-B-Que & Swim Party & a bus trip to Art Park to see "My Fair Lady" with dinner following. If you are 40 years young and over call, Max Berg 781-0002 or 781-0555.



MSW DEGREES AWARDED

Two Canadians, Michelle Gozlan (left) of Montreal and Stuart Rechnitzer (right) of Halifax, received Master of Social Work degrees at commencement exercises of the Block Plan of Yeshiva University's Wurzweiler School of Social Work (WSSW) in New York City recently. The Block Plan allows students to complete degree requirements for the MSW in three summers in New York City while working for social service agencies throughout the world during the traditional academic year. With them is Samuel Goldstein, dean of WSSW.

EMUNAH BAZAAR RETURNS

Emunah Women of Toronto is holding its annual Boutique and Bazaar Sale on Sunday, Sept. 13, at Bayview Arena, 3230 Bayview Ave., from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Co-chairmen of the event (from left) are Bertha Mirsky, Magda Ruzohorsky and Roslyn Salmon. Potential vendors or shoppers who require further information can call the Emunah office at 635-9847 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

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Election watch

PC candidate just announced

2 Wilson Heights hopefuls back day school aid

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
In the 1985 provincial election, candidates debated and awaited the report of the Shapiro Commission on the role of alternative schools.

Now that the report has become a political document and separate schools have been granted full funding, the next important question candidates are debating is whether independent schools like Jewish day schools should receive government funding.

In the riding of Wilson Heights, the largest Jewish riding in Ontario, two of the candidates — Liberal incumbent Monte Kwinter and NDP candidate Jennifer Paton — have expressed their support for such a move. (As The CJN went to press the Conservative Party nominated David Farb, a 42-year-old lawyer. Farb is married and has two sons.)

This riding of more than 72,000 takes in over 30,000 Jews including 5,540 whose mother tongue is Yiddish and 1,775 whose mother tongue is Hebrew.

It is bounded by Steeles Ave. to the north, Dufferin to the west, Baycrest Ave. and Old Orchard Grove to the south. From there the riding jogs north along Avenue Rd. to Highway 401 and continues north along Bathurst St. to Finch and east on Finch to Yonge.

In the last election Kwinter defeated Conservative incumbent David Rotenberg by a 2,188 margin to return Wilson Heights to the Liberal fold. Prior to Rotenberg, the riding was held by Liberal Vern Singer.

Kwinter, facing similar issues as he did two years ago when he was the "new kid on the block," said he favors government funding for Jewish day schools, calling it "a matter whose time has come.

"Parents of students who have been sending their children to private schools have been penalized in the financial sense," said Kwinter, minister of consumer and commercial relations. "My position is if you have an educational organization like the Board of Jewish Education that is delivering a school curriculum that is totally at par with what is being done in the public school system and, in many cases better, they should be compensated in some way for what they are doing other than the religious part of the program."

Monte Kwinter

Jennifer Paton

Kwinter said there are a number of different ways this could be done, either through tax relief, a voucher system where every taxpayer would get a voucher which could be used for any accredited educational institution or by diverting taxes to the religious institution of a taxpayer's choice.

Whatever way is instituted, Kwinter said it is important to ensure the educational system doesn't become "so fractionalized that there is no infrastructure to carry on."

The only drawback Kwinter envisioned in such a move is that Jewish schools might lose a degree of control over their system.

On a related issue, Kwinter said he is opposed to religious education in the public school system. He said that in a multipluralistic, multicultural society it is no longer appropriate for one religion to be taught. He would prefer it to be left to families and religious institutions to teach religion.

Paton, a teaching assistant at the University of Toronto and private Hebrew teacher, said she favors a tax credit system where parents whose children attend Jewish day schools would receive a tax credit for the secular or general studies portion of the school program.

"Parents should pay for religious education of their children but I don't think they should pay twice for secular education," Paton said.

Both Paton and Kwinter stressed the need to protect workers who don't want to work Sunday. Paton said Sunday shopping should be allowed as long as the rights of people working in stores are protected so they can have two consecutive days off a week. Also, people who observe Sunday as a religious day should not be required to work, she added.

Kwinter said he has mixed feelings on the issue. He said that it is "absolutely critical" that stores in the Jewish community be allowed to open Sunday because they have to close on Saturday. However he said it's important to have a pause day and rejected the notion of a 7-day work week.

"I think the best solution is that it should be done on a local option basis so if you have a community like the Jewish community which wants to be open on Sunday and closed Saturday that should be alright," he said.

In the field of health care Paton said money should be put into hospitals to keep the level of health care very high in Ontario.

"I think we can be very proud of the system we have. It's a model for other health care systems in the world. There are people who have to be institutionalized but a lot of the seniors who are institutionalized shouldn't be."

To help seniors who Paton said shouldn't be in institutions, she recommended providing more services to allow them to stay in their own homes as long as they can.

Kwinter concurred, saying that the bulk of health care funds should be devoted to community services.

Health care

"There is a greater priority to get the money into the hands of the people who need it as opposed to the insitutions," he said. "But also we can't have the institutions run down.

"I think people do better in their own home where service is brought to them and they are not warehoused in a building," he added. "I am an advocate that we provide as much service as we can to allow people who are ill, aging or suffering from some disability to remain in a comfortable environment."

On the issue of rent controls, Kwinter said as long as the vacancy rate remains at present levels such controls will have to be maintained. However he expressed sympathy for landlords who are trying to earn a fair rate of return on their buildings while providing proper maintenance. The MPP was also alarmed at the number of tenants who are endangered by living in buildings that are not being properly maintained.

Paton criticized the Liberal government for allowing the maximum rent increase to rise to 5.2% this year, saying that it should be maintained at last year's 4% level.

"The problem is that we now have a rent review commission that will rubber stamp increases of 10% and more when landlords say they need this money to fix up buildings and this doesn't always happen," she said. "I think we have to be careful about allowing these increases. A lot of people in apartments are living on fixed incomes and their income doesn't go up by 10 or 15% a year and they can't afford to pay increases like that."

Paton said another problem is the lack of affordable housing. She said she would like to see government land used to build more co-op housing and for government to cosign mortgages for young ples who want to buy homes.

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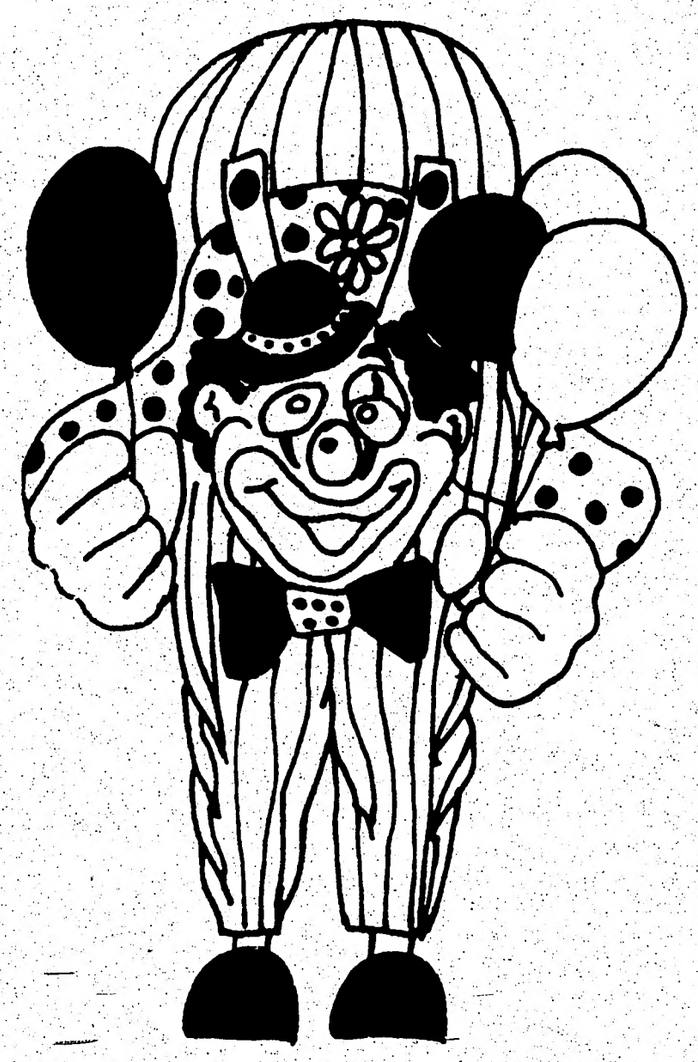

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Election watch

Political Liaison Committee meeting with candidates

Funding for Jewish schools heads CJC concerns

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
The Political Liaison Committee of Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region, has begun meetings with candidates to the Ontario legislature to express the concerns of the Jewish community on a number of sensitive issues.

The absence of government funding for Jewish schools heads the list of concerns outlined to candidates in Metropolitan Toronto, London, Hamilton, Ottawa and Windsor.

While the campaigns of the three major parties have swung into gear, the question of government assistance for private schools "has been studiously avoided" by the candidates, noted Bernie Farber, a Congress spokesman.

"Our aim is to ensure that as far as the Jewish community is concerned, it's an issue we're not going to drop. It's a key issue on the Jewish agenda," he said.

Farber said the Political Liaison Committee spokespeople, who usually work in groups of three representing each party, will repeat the Congress position that "it's only fair" to financially support Jewish and other denominational schools as long as Catholic schools receive full funding.

(The Supreme Court of Canada recenty upheld the decision of the provincial government to fully fund the Catholic system through grade 13, while not requiring similar funding for other schools. Until recently, Catholic schools were funded only to the end of grade 10.)

Farber said PLC spokespeople, armed with a Focus Ontario poll, will point out that Ontarians believe fairness dictates that if Catholic schools receive full funding, so too should other schools.

Murray Segal, chairman of the Ontario Jewish Association for Equity in Education, said the school funding issue is the only instance of "official discrimination on the basis of religion." It would be like giving tax deductible status to Lutheran churches only, he argued.

Though the courts have acknowledged the constitutional validity of funding Catholic schools only, ultimately it is a political decision not to fund the educational institutions of other groups, Congress has stated.

The PLCs will also express Congress' opposition to religious education in public schools. The problem is especially acute in schools outside major urban centres which have not opted out of religious education, according to a Congress news release.

Congress' position is that "there should be no obvious promulgation of one religious belief above all others" in the public school system.

The Jewish organization objects especially to religious instruction in the classroom, as well as to religious exercises, such as morning prayers. "There have been concerns expressed that religious exercises may indeed act as a springboard to the teaching of religious thought," Congress stated.

The PLCs will also express the Jewish community's concern about "controversial literature" in schools, such as works which create racial or religious stereotypes. So far, the ministry of education and the Ontario Human Rights Commission have "avoided" dealing with the problem, Farber told The CJN.

The PLCs will inform candidates that Congress advocates training for "becoming teachers (graduates)" in understanding multiculturalism and race relations. It also calls for ongoing race relations training for English teachers to assist them in teaching controversial works and in dealing with any incidents that may arise from them.

Another Congress suggestion is to limit the teaching of controversial material to more mature students in grades 12 and 13.

Also on the PLC agenda is making candidates aware that the Race Relations Directorate, operating under the auspices of the attorney general's office, should be cognizant of the interests of those discriminated against on the basis of creed or religion, Farber said. With the concern to establish guidelines for the directorate to protect the rights of visible minorities, discrimination on the basis of "creed/religion are not being appropriately considered," Congress stated.

The Political Liaison Committees were established prior to the 1984 federal election campaign to sensitize candidates to issues of concern to Jews.

Provisions for proxy voting

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Just because you won't be home on Sept. 10 when Ontario voters chose their new provincial government, doesn't mean that you can't vote.

According to Elections Ontario, qualified electors who will be absent from their polling division on polling day or cannot attend a polling place may still cast their ballots by proxy.

To qualify to vote, a person must be at least 18 years of age on election day, a Canadian citizen at the time of voting and a resident of Ontario for at least six months prior to election day.

Proxy voting is possible for qualified electors who are unable to vote either on Sept. 10 or at advance polls, provided they are: a member or the spouse or child of a member of the Canadian Forces; employed in the business of long-distance transportation; committed to business activities or an employer's directions; physically incapable because of medical reasons, of attending a polling place; a student who is duly registered at a recognized educational institution; participating in a job training or retraining program; or an inmate in a penal or correctional institution who has not been sentenced.

Proxy forms may be obtained from any Elections Ontario Office, but they must be certified by the Returning Officer in the electoral district where the vote is to be cast.

Voters who will be unable to vote on polling day may cast their ballots at advance polls which will be held at designated locations on Sept. 3, 5 and 7. These locations will offer level access for wheelchairs.

Electors unable to vote on election day may also cast their ballots in the office of the Returning Officer on Aug. 29, 31, and Sept. 1 to 5 and Sept. 7 and 8.

CJF creates leadership panel

TORONTO —
The Council of Jewish Federations' Canadian Committee is working to address the community's need for future leadership.

The group is establishing a leadership committee to assist federations in recruiting and training potential leaders, the organization has announced through a release.

Working with CJF's New York office, the committee will address "the particular needs of the Canadian scene."

Jack Rose, chairman of the Canadian Committee, says the leadership committee is looking for "an integrated approach to recruitment, training, utilization and retention."

The planning group for the committee consists of: Morris Maron of Montreal, chairman; Mark Berlin, Ottawa; David Brown, Toronto; Danny Waldman, Hamilton; and Bert Abugov, director of the Canadian office.

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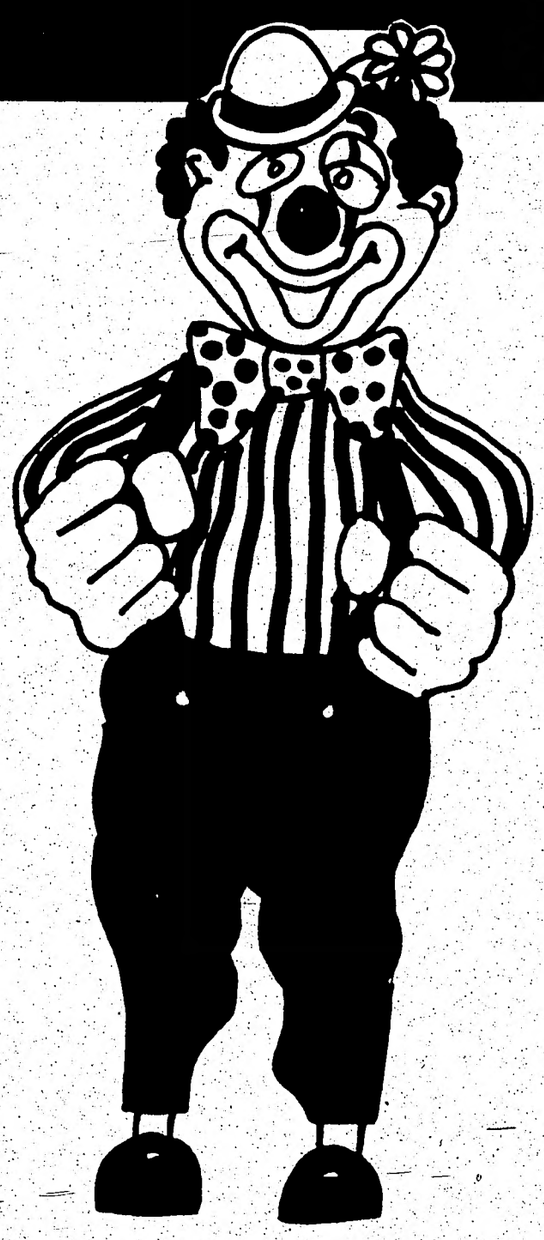

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Election watch

Three women candidates battling for Oriole riding

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO — Religion is religion and school is school and the two should remain apart, say two of the candidates vying for the provincial riding of Oriole.

In separate interviews both PC candidate Fredelle Brief and Liberal MPP Elinor Caplan expressed their opposition to mandatory religious instruction in school classrooms. However on other issues, the two Jewish candidates offered differing positions. (At press time, pro-choice activist Judy Rebick was reported to be seeking the NDP nomination in Oriole.)

Oriole, a Conservative stronghold since its inception in 1975, went Liberal in the last election when Caplan defeated 10-year incumbent John Williams with a plurality of over 4,000 votes. The riding is bounded by Steeles, Victoria Park, Leslie and Highway 401, and the ethnic mix changed as a result of redistribution. While the riding's population decreased by 20,000, the number of Jews living within its boundaries increased by over 2,000. As a result, Jews now account for 9.1% of the population.

While Brief said her party when in power brought in legislation giving school boards the option to opt out of religious education or to offer a variety of different prayers, she said her views differ from party policy.

She said the job of teaching religion should be done by parents and the religious community and indicated that, if elected, she would try to persuade her colleagues to hear her point of view and consider it in the future.

Caplan said she likes the existing system which allows local school boards to opt out of religious instruction, but would prefer that religion not be part of the formal school day. Instead she would like to see it offered as an enrichment program taught after regular school hours.

What Caplan said she does like are comparative religion classes which allow students to study other religions and learn about other cultures.

Still on the subject of schools and religion, Caplan said the Shapiro Commission made some "interesting" recommendations on funding independent schools that should be given "serious" consideration.

One of these, she said, would permit some Jewish schools which are willing and able to meet government criteria regarding free tuition, open access and affiliation with a local school board.

These proposals, Caplan believes, would enrich the public school system

Elinor Caplan

Fredelle Brief

while allowing a choice in education.

"It's important to maintain a strong public school system," said Caplan, a former provincial government minister and a former North York alderman.

"I think that if the Jewish schools are looking for government funding many might be able to live with the criteria as proposed by Shapiro who is advocating a strong, diverse public school system that would offer parents a choice," she added.

Brief said the way to approach the issue is to hold public hearings based on the Shapiro Report, pointing out that one of the problems with the extension of separate school funding was that it was done without public participation.

"There are many people who didn't object to it being done, but objected to the way it was done," said Brief, a past staff associate with Canadian Jewish Congress.

Like Caplan, Brief said Jewish schools might lose a degree of control if they accepted government funding and could possibly have to accept non-Jews.

Moving on to the question of store hours, Brief was adamant that stores not be allowed to be open all week.

"We can get caught up in commercialism," Brief claimed. "If every day is just like every other day there is a temptation to see far too much value in the commercial aspect of living."

While favoring a common rest day which is usually regarded as Sunday, she said religious groups should be able to choose another common rest day for their community.

Caplan said a great deal of public debate and discussion on the issue of Sunday shopping is needed as current laws are "outdated and are not working."

Caplan said one position that should be considered is the local option where municipalities would be able to have a say about what parts of their municipality could be open on Saturday or Sunday.

"Municipalities should be able to recognize the cultural and religious diversity in their cities and have their own decisions permitted by the legislation

about what they would like happen," Caplan said. "I don't want to see this government dictate the answer."

While Caplan praised her government's actions in bringing in new rent review legislation which is supposed to increase tenant protection and ensure greater maintenance, Brief wasn't as kind.

Opinions differ on issues

Unlike Caplan who said rent controls are here to stay until the supply of rental units increases and the vacancy rate rises, Brief said she would like to see a situation where rent controls could be phased out as this would bring more rental units on the market.

Part of the answer, Brief said, is a better public transit system which includes the proposed Sheppard subway. She said the cost of land dictates where it is viable for developers to build. If there was a good public transit system to service commuters, builders could build farther away where the cost of land is less costly and this would take some of the pressure off the rental market.

Both candidates advocated channeling more money to developing community resources, with Caplan stressing a 2-pronged approach to ensure that people can live in their homes as independently as possible for as long as possible, but can turn to institutions if and when they have to.

Brief said: "One of the biggest problems people in the community face is when their health takes a turn for the worse. My first priority is making sure we have the right resources in the community for the health needs of the community from the very ablebodied to the disabled."

Both candidates gave differing views on day care. Caplan said it remains a priority for the Liberal government and that any formula for day care has to provide "quality, affordability and flexabiity" and has to ensure that subsidies go to those most in need.

She said that while the government's thrust in the future should be towards the non-profit sector, it is important now to fund the whole system as half of existing day care is in the commercial sector.

If the government only funds the non-profit sector and doesn't support the existing commercial sector, Caplan said there will be a decline in the quality of day care and the system could start to fall apart.

Brief also said flexibility is the key word and that every parent should have the option of deciding how to bring up their children.

She said her party proposes giving tax credits directly to families with one full-time parent and allowing families themselves to raise their children as they see fit.

"Providing lots of day care is only one solution," Brief said. "Families should choose the child-rearing plan that best meets their own needs."

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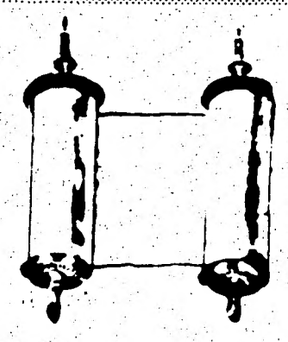

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Ri'ay

Our enemies are only half the problem — it's our friends we have to be careful of. False friends, false smiles, false compliments.

A noted freethinker passed away, and the city rabbi was called upon to recite a eulogy. The rabbi couldn't refuse — but what could he say? The man observed nothing!

Began the rabbi: "My friends, the verse says that there is no man who does just good and does not sin. But I tell you that there is no Jew who just does bad and doesn't fulfil some commandments!

"I will tell you three praises about our deceased.

• "He never put on tefillen Tisha b'Av in the morning.

• "He never recited the Shma Yisrael on Passover night;

• "He always ate very heartily on the eve of Yom Kippur, just as our rabbis teach. . . .

"In fact, he was so conscientious that he never put on tefillen on Tisha B'Av in the afternoon either, he observed the strictness of the day so carefully. . . ."

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Compliments, what do they mean? A lot, if they give us heart, encourage us. Nothing, if they are false, if they fill us with silly pride.

Consider . . . when the Israelites finally entered the Holy Land, they were supposed to divide — six tribes stood on Mount Gerizim, and six stood on Mount Aival. The priests stood below, and pronounced the blessings toward Mount Gerizim, and the terrible curses toward Mount Aival.

Teaches the Medrash: the Torah equates the blessings and he curses. Just as the blessings were pronounced "bikol ram," with a mighty voice, so also were the curses pronounced loudly!

Why? Who needs loud curses? Why not just whisper them?

But — explains the Divrei Chaim — it shows God's love and honesty. Too often a person has a friend who compliments him to his face loudly, for everyone to hear.

Out of ear-shot, the "friend" whispers all sorts of criticisms and insults — so it should not get back what was said.

The Torah teaches another way. Be up-front, be straight, be open! If you see something wrong, don't let the other person go the wrong way! Don't whisper behind his back. Correct him, criticize him to his face!

You know — that shidduch you're thinking of is questionable!

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You know — your child is taking drugs!

You know — you're working too hard!

Does God ever really curse? Does the loving Creator ever mean anything but blessing? But the curses are a warning, for our own good — stop, or else!

In every curse there is a blessing. In every suffering, God forbid, there is a light.

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Who needs foolish pride? The Baal Shem Tov travelled by wagon with kefitzat haderech, super speed. The horses that carried him saw that they were galloping at an amazing pace, while other horses grazed at the road.

"We are not horses, but humans," they told each other. Still they sped faster. "We are not even humans, but angels!"

Finally they reached their destination, and the inn-keeper put hay in front of their stalls, which they fell upon like horses!

We are all simple people, needing God. Shabbat Shalom.

For a trial 3-year period

TJC will fund Yiddish courses

By
AVI HYMAN

TORONTO —

Three new courses, two in Yiddish and one in Jewish religion, have been added to the curriculum of the Jewish Studies Program at the University of Toronto (U of T).

The two Yiddish courses, in the department of Germanic languages and literature, are being funded by the Jewish community for a trial period of three years.

According to Toronto Jewish Congress (TJC) Endowment Fund director, Sam Helsenbaum, $30,000 is coming from the Berman Fund of the TJC.

"The Berman Fund was established to provide seed money for experimental prototypes in the community; it gives people an incentive to attempt new projects," said Helsenbaum.

According to Bess Shockett, director of the TJC committee for Yiddish, "a limited campaign in the community by the committee raised an additional $10,000."

This is not a precedent however, pointed out Shockett. "Originally TJC seeded the money for the first year Yiddish course for three years before the university picked it up," she said.

Heinz Wetzel, chairman of the department of Germanic languages and literature, told The CJN: "Three years ago the Dean told me to close the (only Yiddish) course down because of low enrolment and financial constraints, so I told him that we would not only be eliminating a course, we would be eliminating the study of a language completely."

According to Wetzel, "one course is unattractive to students because they cannot specialize or even pursue their studies beyond the first year."

The three courses now available in Yiddish mean students can receive a minor degree in the language while applying them either to a major in Germanic studies or Jewish studies. The two new courses will be available in alternating years.

According to university sources, after an anouncement of the new courses was made last year the enrolment in the first year Yiddish course jumped over 200%.

Itch Shoichet, the professor of the first year Yiddish course, said he was "tickled pink because this ensures Yiddish at the university indefinitely."

However, Shoichet added, "it's bad policy for the university to rely on the general community for the life of the course."

The three instructors for the new courses are Torontonians Leslie Train, Sharon Green and Kenneth Green.

Train, a dentist, received his Masters at U of T in Near Eastern Studies, after pursuing the study of languages including Yiddish, Russian, Aramaic and Mongolian.

A member of the Friends of Yiddish (Toronto), the World Council for Yiddish and Yiddish Culture, the National Yiddish Book Centre of Amherst Massachusets and the League for Yiddish, Train has taught Yiddish at local afternoon schools, and leads Yiddish clubs at Beth Haminyan Synagogue and Elm Ridge Group Home.

According to Train, "the continuation of the heritage of Yiddish in our city is important, especially when we have people of the calibre of Peretz Miransky, Samuel Simcovitch, Hindi Reinhartz and Solomon Birnbaum to inspire us."

Train, to teach intermediate Yiddish starting this fall, plans to review the aspects of the language (grammar, syntax, usage, etc.) with an introduction to Yiddish literature and history.

Sharon Green, whose course on Yiddish literature begins in the fall of 1988, is presently working on her Ph.D. at Brandeis, specializing in modern Hebrew and Yiddish literature.

Green, who has received doctoral fellowships from the Canada Council and the Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture in New York, among others, is a member of the Friends of Yiddish, the Yiddish Speakers Circle at Brandeis, the Association for Jewish Studies, and a group of translators and publishers of Yiddish poetry of the Holocaust.

Her teaching experience includes a stint as a Hebrew instructor at York University and a writing skills instructor at both Brandeis and U of T.

"I plan to teach an introduction to the entire scope of Yiddish literature, from the medieval to the modern period, using modern techniques of literary analysis," said Green.

Kenneth Green, a graduate of both U of T and Brandeis, will begin the third new course, in the spring of 88, Jewish ethics, in the department of religious studies, a course not funded by the community.

Green, who is completing his Ph.D. from Brandeis in Jewish Philosophy, will also be teaching two other Jewish studies courses (the Jewish Religious Experience and Judaism in the Modern Age) at U of T at the same time.

Also a recipient of fellowship awards from the Canada Council and the Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture, Green is a member of the Association for Jewish Studies, the American Academy of Religion and the American Philosophy Association. He has also taught at York University.

"I plan to discuss leading themes in Jewish Ethics in the literature while including an introduction to current relevant issues," said Green.

Prof. Jacques Kornberg, director of the Jewish studies program at U of T, characterized the three new courses as "a wonderful thing," while Prof. William Callahan, chairman of the religious studies department said he was "hopeful for a good response."

Rabbi Moishe Silverman, executive director of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation at U of T, said, "I am excited to see the university expanding its Jewish Studies program; it gives students of different ethnic backgrounds insight into the heritage of the Jewish people."

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Organizations and People

Displays of "vicious anti-semitism," prof. says

Rise of right-wing Soviet group ominous sign

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —
The emergence of a right-wing political group that appears to be challenging Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev has ominous overtones for Jews in Russia, said the keynote speaker at a meeting at Beth Tzedec Synagogue commemorating the 35th anniversary of the execution of 24 Soviet Jewish writers and artists on Aug. 12, 1952.

This new political group has exhibited signs of vicious anti-semitism, said Emanuel Goldsmith, associate professor of Hebrew and Judaic studies at City College of New York.

Goldsmith, who was a rabbi in Halifax from 1961 to 1964, said this group, whose name means "memory" in Russian, has spread reports that the "enemy" is preparing to blow up the Moscow subway system, "the kind of thing that was heard during the last years of the czarist regimes."

The martyrdom of the Jewish artists 35 years ago is cause for the worldwide Jewish community to continue the struggle on behalf of Jews wanting to leave the Soviet Union, he said.

Speaking in English and Yiddish, and quoting extensively from the works of Peretz Markish, one of the murdered poets, Goldsmith was applauded when he appealed to his audience "to nurture the Yiddish language in your own community."

He went on: "Every Jew who knows Yiddish, teach it to others. Let every Jew who doesn't know Yiddish study it."

The meeting, attended by about 300 people, was sponsored by the Committee for Yiddish, Toronto Jewish Congress, and the Committee for Soviet Jewry of Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region.

Goldsmith said Markish, whose widow, Esther, now lives in Israel, like the rest of his murdered colleagues, was tricked by the Soviet government into believing that Moscow supported a Jewish nation and the strengthening of ties with other Jewish communities.

He described Markish as a visionary who was enchanted by the onslaught on conservatism in Soviet policies. But, as the truth dawned on him, his work more and more spoke of the need for Jewish survival and his greatest poem, The Man of Forty, was not published until 1978 in Israel.

It had been smuggled out of Markish's apartment by one of his relatives. The poem is full of religious symbolism and biblical allusions, and the need for Jewish survival, Goldsmith said.

Taking up the speaker's challenge to strengthen Yiddish in Toronto, Joyce Eklove, chairman, said that the first time she ever spoke Yiddish was when she visited the Jewish community in Riga five years ago. She said she had learned it from her grandparents. "Let us remember that Soviet Jews are dying for this language," she said.

One of the Jews she met in Riga was Alexander Mariasin, a leader of the Jewish community there, who is now resident in Toronto and who spoke briefly to the memorial meeting.

Although the Russians claim there is a Jewish theatre in Moscow, Mariasin said it is really a propaganda stunt, and that people who have tried to keep an underground theatre going have been persecuted.

There is no glasnost for Jews who want to be Jews in Russia, only oppression and anti-semitism," said Rabbi J. Benjamin Friedberg, of Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

The passion with which Jews commemorate the murdered Soviet artists illustrates that our need to remember something is more than just a cognitive fact, he said. "It is the transcendental link between the poets and Jews today," he said.

The execution of the Soviet writers is a reminder of the perilous nature of Jewish existence, said Charles Zaionz, chairman, Ontario Region, Canadian Jewish Congress.

A warning to Jews not to be caught up in the media slogans about openness in Russia was sounded by Ben Prossin, director of the Committee for Soviet Jewry. Refusals of visas to Jews is more the order of the day than exit permits, he said.

"Although we are grateful for every extra person allowed out, at the present rate it will take 40 years to get everyone out who wants to come out."

At the same time, Prossin said Jews must be alert to a change in Soviet society that would speed up the emigration. "If we can kick the door open, then we must do it."

Poetry readings of Yiddish writers were given by Peretz Miransky and Gerry Kane, while Jennie Eisenstein sang Yiddish folk songs, accompanied by Fagel Gartner.

BB and Sunnybrook to share $50,000 fund

By
GIL KEZWER

TORONTO —
B'nai Brith Foundation and Sunnybrook Medical Centre will split more than $50,000 raised from a recent gala dinner, auction and Monte Carlo event held in conjunction with the 2nd annual Molson Indy.

Among the head table celebrities the 300 guests saw at the Harbour Castle Convention Centre were Mario Andretti and his son Michael, Geoff Brabham, Roberto Guerrero, 1986 winner Bobby Rahal, Tom Sneva, Danny Sullivan and Fabrizio Barbazza.

Jackie Stewart, the world-renowned Formula One driver, was master of ceremonies.

The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the inaugural Molson Indy Achievement Award to international auto racing entrepreneur Carl Haas in recognition of his contribution to motorsports. Haas, along with actor Paul Newman, owns the Auto-Wash Iola driven by Mario Andretti. A successful racing driver himself until the early 1960s, Haas has served on the board of directors of the Sports Car Club of America (S.C.C.A.) and Championship Automobile Racing Teams (C.A.R.T.) for many years.

The Molson Indy gala dinner was co-chaired by Leon Emer and Lawrie Fine. The Monte Carlo and auction were organized by Bert Abramson and Ben Libman, respectively. Mel Wise served as Gala chairman while Gary Gladstone coordinated volunteers.

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Olim Shelanu

Israel needs West's political maturity: rabbi

By
DAVID BIRKAN

There is a real need for dialogue and cooperation between Western Jews and Israelis, according to Rabbi Moshe Sober. "Each could profit tremendously," he told The Canadian Jewish News.

Sober, an oleh from London, Ont., first went to Israel as a high school student in 1970. He is the son of **Marilyn** and **Dr. Stanley Sober**, president of London's Beth Tefillah Congregation.

Sober, on a recent visit to Toronto, said that "Israel could use the West's values of stable democracy, calm and free debate, and political maturity." Here in the West, Jews could profit from the "intense Jewish atmosphere" of Israel. Such liveliness, said Sober, "could wake up people in the Diaspora who take Judaism for granted."

Said Sober: "Israelis have a great vision of what they want their country to be. What they can learn from mature Western democracy is how to attain that vision."

During the academic year, Sober teaches Gemarah (Talmud) and Ramban (Nachmanides) at Yeshivat HaMivtar, the olim-oriented yeshiva of Rabbis Chaim Brovender and Shlomo Riskin, in Gush

Rabbi Moshe Sober

Etzion. During the summer, he fills in for Beth Tefillah's Rabbi Shalom Kurtz in London.

Sober advises would-be olim to "bring your idealism to make Israel a better society.

"You can expect to be welcomed there, but be prepared for culture shock."

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Expect the unexpected and don't be afraid when it comes, says linguist **Jonathan Fine**, who made aliya in 1982. He is the son of **Rose** and **Harold Fine**, of Toronto.

Jonathan and wife Miriam, an olah from New Jersey, have two children right now: Devorah, 5, and Naomi, 2.

"Be flexible," Fine told The CJN. "Conditions in Israel can change unpredictably."

He cited as example low-interest mortgages for olim issued several years ago linked to the country's consumer price index.

"It was a good deal at the start," Fine told The CJN, "but what was not anticipated was a wage freeze combined with a free floating consumer price index.

• "Payments that represented 25% of household income originally rose to 40% and beyond.

• "After a year of payments, some people have wound up owing more than when they first received the mortgages.

• "They have wound up with less equity in their apartments than at the start."

Fine teaches at Bar-Ilan University and lives in Talpiot, a suburb of Jerusalem. His wife, a nutritionist, instructs locally in child rearing and nutrition.

Fine urges new olim to "bring activism to issues in Israel and to lobby to change the way things are done."

Treated as an issue that can be influenced, the mortgage-index link is being lobbied against by olim groups like the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel, said Fine.

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Kosher Chinese eatery opens

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Hank Topas regrets that there is no Jewish equivalent if you want to order moo goo gai kew, fried sui kow, veal chow choy, moo soo duck, chicken soo gai, won ton soup, Szechuan meat balls, Cantonese lo mein, or any of the other 300 items on his menu.

But not to worry. Even if you can't give it a Chinese sing-song lilt, Topas promises that after you've had a meal at his new kosher restaurant, you'll leave the place wearing an old fashioned *shmychel* — Yiddish for smile.

More than 500 guests were wearing yarmulkes as well as smiles at the recent official opening of his Deli Peking, three blocks north of Lawrence at the corner of Ranee Ave., at 3426 Bathurst St. (416-787-0345).

The 120-seat, 2,700-square-foot kosher Cantonese and Szechaun eatery is a virtual Toronto twin of the Deli Peking that Topas opened three years ago on Decarie St. in Montreal.

His new dining establishment is located between the Le Karem Kosher Wines store and Mati's Fallafel House and Kosher Bakery Pizza.

A fusion of three shops, it looks as exotic as an Oriental palace. The sign outside is a bright scarlet on white (red being the Chinese symbol for good luck).

Inside the colors are predominantly soft plum, pink and burgundy. The decor is resplendent with mirrors, giant Oriental fans, delicate landscape paintings, and lanterns bearing Chinese characters, including the Chinese equivalent of the Hebraic *chai* symbol for good fortune.

Topas, a debonair, gray-haired, former electrical contractor of 36, with a degree in finance from McGill University, says he hasn't made a fortune from his Montreal restaurant.

"The Jews are not noted for being heavy drinkers," he says. "And, of course, we're closed on Friday nights and during the Saturday Sabbath."

Still, he and his wife, Esther, who hails from Bolivia, hope to do well in Toronto.

"Toronto Jewish diners are noted for two things — their sophistication and their love for Chinese cuisine," he says. "We're counting on them to appreciate our quality food and low prices."

Torontonian Bryna Weinberger will be the general manager heading a staff of 30, with Jim Yee serving as chef. There will be nightly home delivery, from 5 to 9.30 p.m., the cuisine will be free of MSG, and banquet facilities are available for groups from 20 to 100.

Rabbi Asher Turin, one of the dozen rabbis present at the opening, predicted: "This will be the Jewish community's answer to Chinatown."

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Beth Din head dies in NY at 86

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Rabbi Steinberg was frequently consulted by world and Israeli religious authorities on matters of Jewish traditional law, the council says in a press release.

Born in Premyslany, Galicia, Poland, he became Chief Rabbi of Brody in Poland at age 33. After World War II, he was named Chief Rabbi of Cracow. He moved to the U.S. in 1947. He is survived by his wife, Rachel.

Rabbi Steinberg's father was Rabbi Shemaya Steinberg, and his grandfather, Rabbi Avraham Steinberg, author of Machzeh Avraham.

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Social worker overcame "loser" tag

Brown proves she's a Diamond Lil in the rough

By
CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —
You could say that Lil Brown had everything going against her.

But when the 58-year-old "loser" walked up to receive her social work degree this summer, she smiled and thought of the many people who told her she could never go beyond Grade 8.

"My mother didn't think I had the ability to go beyond public school and I remember when I was a young girl, I told her that some day I'd like to go to unversity. She laughed and told me that I didn't need an education to wash diapers."

The message, she recalls, was devastating and it became a self-fulfilling prophesy.

Years later, when she again considered going back to school, she went to a vocational service to test her academic ability. "They told me, in so many words, that I had a learning disability and that although I could audit a course, I didn't have the capability to complete assignments or write exams."

This blow was added to her mother's words. Divorced and a working mother who had to support three teenaged children, "the message kept echoing in my ears. It put me back on my heels and I became depressed and grossly overweight."

Lil Brown

Taking herself in hand, she decided to do something about her desperate position. "I wanted to become an independent women of independent means," she says, quoting Virginia Wolfe, and she set out to lose weight and to seek help for her low self-esteem.

"I went to see psychiatrist Dr. Henry Fenigstein and he pointed out to me that I had lost 100 pounds and kept it off. With that determination, he told me, to do what very few people can do, I could really do anything I set my mind to do."

She became a lecturer at Weight Watchers and after seeing an advertisement in the newspaper for York University which was directed to mature students who wanted to enter a part-time program that would lead to an undergraduate degree, Brown enrolled at York.

"I had no idea how to write an essay. My reading comprehension was unsatisfactory and I needed to learn study skills to prepare me to write exams."

With nothing more than a healthy dose of motivation, she began taking workshop after workshop to help her along her determined but bumpy course.

To her delight and everyone's surprise, she received an undergraduate honors degree in psychology in 1982 and immediately enrolled in a graduate evening program that would lead to a degree in social work.

She notes that one of her most rewarding experiences was a practicum at Parkdale Community Legal Clinic. "This is a poverty clinic and it was mind-boggling for me to be working hand-in-hand with people in the legal profession on behalf of my clients." Often, she adds, she had to pinch herself "to see if it was really me."

And if this wasn't enough for the girl who was told she'd never make it, Brown opened a private practice as a weight-loss therapist working on a one-to-one basis. She developed a technique that involves working with her client as well as members of the client's family.

"To lose weight," she says, "you have to gain the support and cooperation of your family." This method of "fat-loss," she notes, has been very successful not only for the client but helpful for all the members of the family.

Now, with cap and gown as proof that she received a Bachelor of Social Work degree with honors this summer, Brown is deeply involved with helping families cope with the new phenomenon of the sandwich generation — coping with aging parents — and helping people with maladaptive eating disorders such as obesity or anorexia.

Looking back, the girl who was most likely not to succeed can point to a number of successes — director and owner of Lose-it-Unlimited (787-7148), her numerous lecture engagements on everything from nutrition to women's issues, and to her major accomplishment, a social work degree.

Although she plans to continue her education in the future, for the time being Brown is satisfied to be a guest lecturer at institutions such as the University of Toronto and a consultant to weight-loss clinics.

Brown's message is loud and clear — "don't label anyone." Quoting Frederick (Fritz) Perls, the founder of the Gestalt movement who said, "Everyone needs a rescuer," the Grade 8 Dewson Street Public School drop-out is a role model for those who need confidence in pursuing a more fulfilling life.

"Find someone who can give you the confidence to take the first step," she advises.

Nov. 15 is date of Chabad draw

TORONTO —
Some lucky person will be $18,000 richer when the winning first prize ticket in the 1987 Chabad-Lubavitch Grand Draw is picked on Sunday, Nov. 15.

Total prize value to be given away is $32,000, the organization says in a press release.

Money raised from the draw will go to support the many programs and facilities for youths, women and families operated by Chabad-Lubavitch.

The successful execution of this endeavor will raise 25% of our annual budget, and afford us the opportunity to realize our objectives," says Rabbi Aaron Grossbaum, executive vice-president.

Theme of the campaign is We call it sharing, says Rabbi Grossbaum.

Tickets are $180 each, of which $150 is tax deductable. An early reply entitles entrants to participate in an early bird draw, Sept. 15 and Oct. 18. (The first early bird prize was given out earlier this month.)

Winners of the main draw will be announced at a breakfast starting 10.30 a.m. at the Lubavitch Community Centre, 770 Chabad Gate in Thornhill, following Shacharit at 9.30 a.m.

For more information, phone (416) 731-7000. Or write the community centre: 770 Chabad Gate, Thornhill L4J 3V9.

Jewish women leaders to meet

TEL AVIV —
A conference designed to be a world forum of Jewish women leaders by the International Council of Jewish Women will be held in Jerusalem next April 25-28.

The theme will be Towards the Year 2000 — Shaping Our Common Future, the ICJW has announced.

Workshops will be devoted to the many facets of Jewish women's leadership, including the Search for Identity and Meeting the Zionist Challenge.

Delegates will be chosen by constituent national organizations. ICJW has affiliate organizations in 35 countries. However, the conference will also be open to an unlimited number of observers, who may serve as proxy voters in case of delegates' absence.

The event has been scheduled to follow Yom Ha'atzmaut marking the 40th anniversary of the founding of the State of Israel so that participants may attend all events surrounding the celebration.

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UIA's Ocopnick at blockade runners' reunion

JERUSALEM —
Former United Israel Appeal Ontario Region director, Ben Ocopnick joined a group of other North Americans here recently for a 40-year reunion of refugee blockade runners..

Ocopnick was a volunteer crew member of the Haim Arlosoroff which carried 1,348 Jewish refugees escaping Europe after the defeat of Nazi Germany.

He and the other blockade runners (who had to carry their human cargo clandestinely past British authorities) were praised for their efforts by Israel President Chaim Herzog.

At a ceremony honoring the former sailors, Herzog received an advance copy of The Jews' Secret Fleet, which is said to reveal "for the first time" the extent of North American involvement in the "illegal immigration" of Jews to the State of Israel.

The book written by Joseph Hockstein and Murray Greenfield, includes an introduction by historian Martin Gilbert. It will be published this summer by Gefen.

According to the book, almost half of the refugees who ran the British blockade escaped from Europe on vessels bought in the U.S. and manned by more than 200 North American sailors.

The "secret fleet" consisted of 10 such vessels that sailed between early 1946 and Jan. 1, 1948, carrying 32,000 refugees.

Ben Ocopnick (left) is seen with Israel President Chaim Herzog (centre) and other crew members of the Haim Arlosoroff.

Ceremony marks community's ruin

TORONTO —
The 45th anniversary of the destruction of the Ostrovtze community will be marked with a solemn ceremony, Sunday, Sept. 20 at the Lambeth Cemetery on Royal York Rd.

Director of education at the Toronto Board of Jewish Education, Rabbi Irwin Witty will lead the service which begins at 11 a.m.

"We recall with pride, the 14 partisans who were murdered while upholding the honor of our people," says monument committee secretary, Albert Bainerman.

He asks that the community join with the landsleit and other friends to honor the memory of the 400-year-old community destroyed "by the Nazi hordes and beasts."

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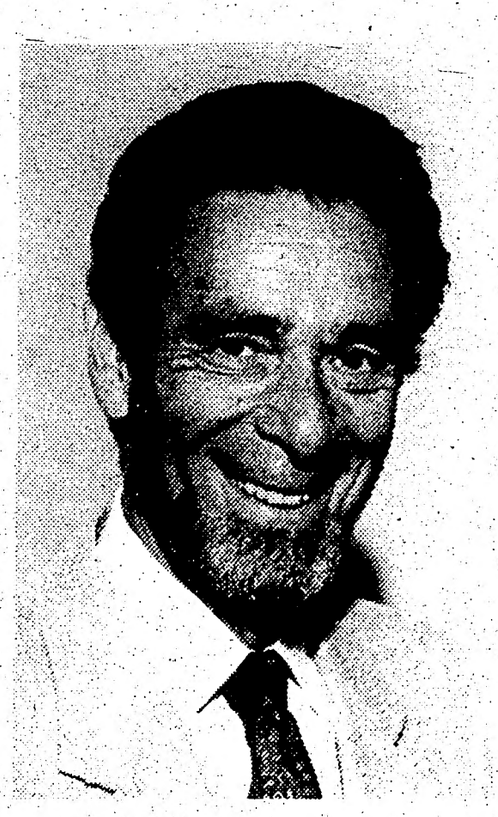

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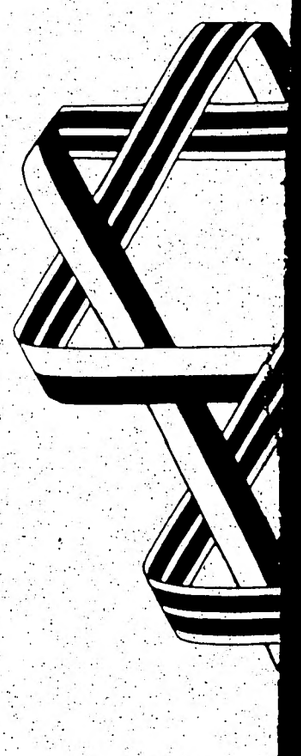

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Organizations and People

Hamilton chosen for Hadassah honor

City to host national event

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —
This city has been selected by Canadian Hadassah-WIZO for the official launching of the new year and of Hadassah-WIZO Month.

The event will be held at a luncheon at Beth Jacob Synagogue on Wednesday, Sept. 9, when president of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO Cecily Peters will open the new year and Hamilton Mayor Bob Morrow will sign the official proclamation designating September as Hadassah-WIZO Month.

Immediate past president of Hamilton Hadassah-WIZO Beverly Lasky has been named national chairman of Hadassah-WIZO Month.

Special guests at the luncheon will be two students, Ilana Bravinsky, who emigrated to Israel with her mother from Kiev in 1977 at the age of 8 and whose father, a nuclear physicist, remains in the USSR, and Karen Comey, whose father was killed in the Six Day War.

Ilana is a student at Hadassim, the school originally opened as an orphanage for child survivors of the Hololcaust, and Karen is a student at Nahahal, the agricultural and secondary school which was the first to be established in Israel by Canadian Hadassah-WIZO and of which both Moshe Dayan and Hanna Szenes were graduates.

The focus is on volunteerism and greater public awareness of the work done by Hadassah.

"We feel it is very important to start our season by showing our work to as many people as possible as encouragement to join."

Welcoming chairman will be the recently installed new president of Hamilton Hadassah-WIZO, Ilona Feldman.

All members are invited to the luncheon but attendance is by reservation only; couvert is $15 per person.

The luncheon will be catered by Peter Graben of Toronto and an added attraction will be a fashion show by Jordan Livingston Furs.

Beverly Lasky (right) at her installation as president last year with her mother Lena Rothberg. [Karen Beer photo]

Centre launches new year

After visiting Hamilton, the two students will separate, one to visit centres in eastern Canada while the other travels west.

Each year a different centre is selected for the official launching of the new year and the reason Hamilton was chosen this year was "because we really stood out last year," explained Lasky, a third generation Hadassah member whose mother, Lena Rothberg, of Brantford, is an honorary national vice-president and project enrichment chairman.

Hamilton Hadassah far exceeded its fund raising goals last year: "We had a bumper year," said Lasky.

Hadassah-WIZO Month is intended primarily "to strengthen our own ranks and membership, to educate people about WIZO and as public relations to our members and to the community at large," she explained.

Luncheon to honor students

This is the year Canadian Hadassah-WIZO observes its 70th anniversary and celebrates seven decades of achievement and the two teenagers represent the first two schools established by the organization in Israel.

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Organizations and People

Festive event to raise money for programs

Focus on accomplishments set for Reena Day

THORNHILL, Ont. — A prime focus of Reena Day will be the accomplishments of the developmentally handicapped adults and children whom the festive event is planned to benefit.

So says Barbara Sugar, who is co-chairing the event with Sharon Noss.

Reena Day will be held Wednesday, Aug. 26 from 9.30 a.m. to midnight at The Promenade, marking the shopping mall's 1st anniversary. A variety of live entertainment and games for adults and children has been organized. Funds raised will go towards Camp Reena programs.

"It's fantastic what some of our people are doing in preparation for Reena Day," Sugar said. "They are making their own T-shirts and other novelties to sell, painting them with the brushes between their teeth.

"Their items come out looking every bit as good as any. You can't tell who made them. They've been working at it for weeks now," she said.

A Reena spokesman told The CJN that funds raised at Reena Day will go towards financing existing and new Camp Reena programming. Plans are under way to use the camp site and facilities, in the Caledon Hills, for Shabbatons during the academic year and during the December and March breaks.

This summer, 130 developmentally handicapped adults and children participated in Camp Reena's specialized programs.

Gala auction planned

Reena Day activities will include cooking demonstrations by TV chef Pasquale Carpino, visits by sports celebrities and VIPs, entertainment by After Hours and Blue Grass bands and Sue Johansen will talk in the early evening.

For kids, cartoon characters Snoopy, Totally Minnie and Strawberry Shortcake will be on hand, plus clowns, carnival games and magic shows by Huberinni and David Hart all day long. Polka Dot Door's Gairey Richardson and Polkaroo will make a visit.

To complement the events of the day, Reena will draw the winning ticket for a 1987 fire engine red Pontiac Firefly car. To cap it off, at 8.30 p.m., Reena will present a gala auction chaired by Esther Michaels.

All merchants will donate a percentage of the day's receipts to the Reena Foundation.

The Promenade is located at Bathurst St. and Clark Ave.

Mount Sinai, U of T symposium

Mental health to be topic

TORONTO —

The mental health of Canada's increasingly aging population will be the focus of the Second Annual Symposium on Women and Health, co-sponsored by the Mount Sinai Hospital Auxiliary and the Program in Gerontology, University of Toronto.

Members of the public and health care professionals will meet Sept. 16 to discuss aging and mental health concerns of women at the symposium, entitled: Aging: Focus on Mental Health at the OISE Auditorium, 252 Bloor St. W.

This 1-day event, from 9.30 a.m. to 3 p.m., is designed to educate the community about the impact of aging on our mental health and to provide specific strategies for coping with any problems which may arise.

In the morning, keynote speaker, Dr. Eric Pfeiffer, director of the Suncoast Gerontology Center in Tampa will speak on Attaining And Maintaining Mental Health — Special Issues For Aging Women.

A panel discussion follows with Dr. Morris Freedman, staff neurologist at Mount Sinai Hospital and director of Baycrest Hospital's Behavioral Neurology Unit; and Dr. Sandra Pyke, professor in the department of psychology and dean of graduate studies at York University. It will be moderated by Dr. Blossom Wigdor, director, the Program in Gerontology and professor in the department of psychology at the University of Toronto.

Keynote speaker, Dr. Leonard Pearlin, Professor, department of psychiatry and of the Human Development and Aging Program, University of California, San Francisco, will speak during the afternoon session on Stress And Coping At Midlife — Some Myths And Reality.

Immediately following, Dr. Merrijoy Kelner, professor in the Department of Behavioral Science, University of Toronto will moderate a panel discussion featuring Dr. Bonnie Erickson, professor in the department of sociology, University of Toronto and Etta McEwan, director of Social Work at Baycrest Hospital.

The deadline for preregistration is Sept. 2, and the cost is $15 which includes coffee and lunch.

Nussen Fellig stories, photos sought for book

MONTREAL —

The son of the late Nussen Fellig, who devoted himself to enouraging Jews to observe the commandments, is writing a book and invites anyone with memories or photos of his father to submit them.

Fellig, who passed away three years ago at the age of 61, was a 6-foot-4 bear of man, a former wrestler, who became involved with Lubavitch soon after his arrival in Canada. A native of Vienna, he was among the Jewish men from Germany and Austria who were interned in camps in Fredericton, NB, and later Ile aux Noix during the war as enemy aliens.

His son Hershey, 26, said that his father, who was a pants manufacturer, used every opportunity to urge Jews to eat kosher, wear tefillen and respect the Sabbath. He always used humor in spreading his message.

Fellig, referred to as "Uncle Nussen," travelled from coast to coast for his work and was known and loved by many people, said Hershey. "During the shiva, people flew in from all over the country and I was up all night listening to stories about my father. They said it would be a shame if his work was not recorded."

The younger Fellig said he has the blessings and encouragement of Lubavitcher Rebbe Rabbi Menachem Schneerson in this project. Fellig's address is 4740 Carlton Ave., Montreal, Que. H3W 1G4.

NCSY meeting set

TORONTO —

The election of officers and policy development will highlight an Ontario and Quebec leadership meeting of the National Conference of Synagogue Youth Sept. 18-20 at the Maple Lake Resort and Conference Centre in Parry Sound, Ont.

Attendance at the conference will be limited to a specially selected group of 40 youth participants, as well as leadership advisors and staff.

Workshops on leadership skills, group dynamics and chapter development will be some of the sessions in which participants will be involved.

In addition, on Shabbat, themes of leadership taken from biblical and talmudic sources will be analyzed and discussed.

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Sport helps disadvantaged youth

Toronto clinic to boost Israel Tennis Centre

By
PAUL LUNGEN

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We all know about the benefits associated with sport.

A game like tennis is good for the heart, strengthens the muscles and promotes health.

But in Israel, where tennis is growing by leaps and bounds, another use has been devised for the racquet sport. In eight centres across the country, tennis is serving as an outlet for disadvantaged kids whose alternative would be to hang out on the streets.

In neighborhoods where the tennis centres are located, crime rates have dropped by as much as 40%, said David Frieberg, spokesman for the young leadership division of The Canada-Israel Athletics Fund, a Canadian support group. And young Israelis of diverse backgrounds and social circumstances have been helped to integrate and "break down barriers," he added.

Over the years, Canadians have made "a terrific contribution" to Israel Tennis Centre (ITC) programs, he said. And for the past five months, efforts have been made to involve younger people in the activities of the CIAF. Already, 30-40 people have expressed an interest in joining the young leadership group and promoting the Israeli tennis centres, Frieberg said.

They've been impressed with some of the accomplishments of the ITC in Israel:

- juvenile delinquency has dropped significantly in ITC neighborhoods.
- youngsters of all socio-economic backgrounds are helped to grow as individuals and become responsible citizens.
- children improve their self-image and learn manners and discipline.
- social skills are improved by mixing with children of other backgrounds.

The young leadership division of The Canada-Israel Athletics Fund plays its part by raising funds for three specific programs operated by ITC: wheelchair tennis; one-on-one instruction for retarded kids; and "a peace program" that brings Arab and Jewish children together on the court.

Where once tennis in Israel was a sport for the privileged, the expansion of the ITC to eight locations, most in disadvantaged neighborhoods, has brought the game to a broader spectrum of Israeli society. More than 80,000 children have participated in the ITC's programs in its 10-year history.

The programs keep Israeli youngsters away from drugs and crime, Frieberg said, and the facilities give the kids and their parents pride in their neighborhood. Onetime fears of vandalism have vanished as the centres have actually helped improve the neighborhoods, he added.

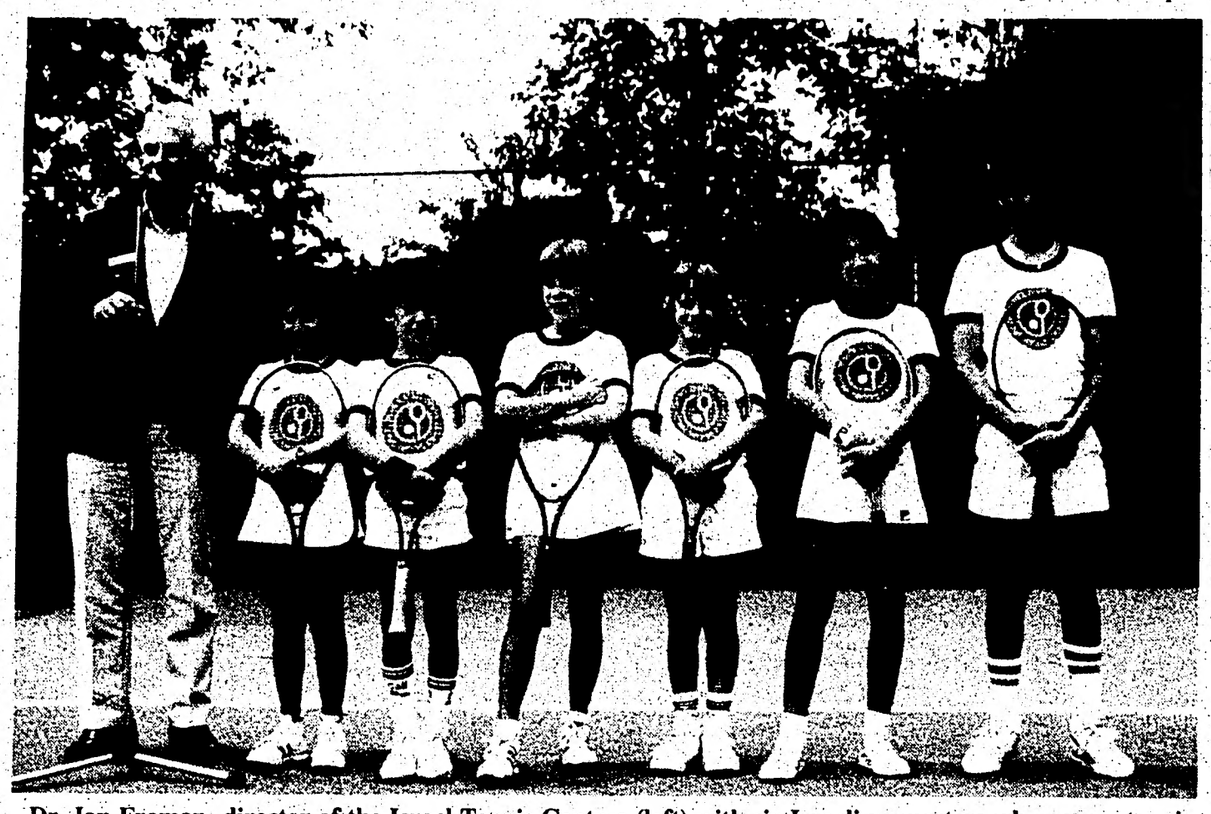
Frieberg said the young leadership's next activity will take place on Sunday, Aug. 30 from 8.30 a.m. to 5 p.m. when the First Annual All Day Tennis Clinic will be held at the Canadian National Tennis Centre at York University.

Twelve top professional coaches will be on hand to provide 5½ hours of on court instruction, Frieberg said. Participants will not only be supporting the three special ITC programs, they'll be improving their games at the same time.

Cost is $125 per person, some of which is tax deductible. That includes video tape analysis of your game, breakfast and lunch and ITC designer T-shirts.

Those who might want to contribute in other ways can join the young leadership group by becoming a "young founder." Cost for that is a tax deductible $1,000, payable over four years. Other contributions will be happily accepted, Frieberg said.

For more information about the day-long tennis clinic, contact Marion Blackhall at (416) 669-2420. Space is limited.



Dr. Ian Froman, director of the Israel Tennis Centres (left) with six Israeli youngsters who gave a tennis exhibition at a recent fund raiser at the home of Pauline and Murray Menkes. [Abbey Newman photo]

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Weizmann to honor Greenblatt

HALIFAX —
Scientist and former diplomat Dr. Jayson Greenblatt will be honored at a gala dinner here Sept. 20 by the Atlantic Chapter of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science.

A native of Quebec, Greenblatt is a graduate of Dalhousie and McGill Universities and the National Defence College of Canada. He spent six years in Washington where he was an adviser on cooperative international defence research projects.

The dinner will raise money for an endowment fund linking Dalhousie University and the Weizmann Institute in Rehovot, Israel. Members of the scientific, educational and business communities are expected to attend.

Greenblatt has been a leader of many Halifax Jewish bodies including president of the Baron de Hirsch Congregation, the United Israel Appeal, State of Israel Bonds, the local community and Zionist councils, and the Atlantic Chapter of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute.

He also served on the Halifax School Board, the executive of the Chemical Institute of Canada, and the Nova Scotia Institute of Science.

Dr. Jayson Greenblatt

Three Jews join multicultural body

OTTAWA —
Three Jews will be among the members of the Canadian Multiculturalism Council for 1987-88 which was recently announced by federal Secretary of State David Crombie.

The Jewish members in clude Libby Greenfield of Winnipeg, Robert Sachter of Toronto and Rita Finestone of Montreal.

In making the announcement, Crombie praised the "excellent service" of previous CMC members and expressed his "special delight" that Dr. Louis C. Melosky of Winnipeg had agreed to continue as chairman of the council.

Following discussions with Melosky, the minister also announced the establishment of three working groups of the council which will work closely with departmental officials in areas of special interest.

The working group on the multiculturalism act, which is expected to be introduced this fall, will be chaired by Orest Rudzik. There will be a working group on immigrant women and one on race relations.

Greenfield is very active in the Winnipeg Jewish community and Sachter, a lawyer, is past president of the B'nai B'rith Sportsmen Lodge and past president of the John Howard Society of Metro Toronto and Operation Springboard.

Finestone is president of the volunteer committee of the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts.

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Organizations and People

And from Zion shall go forth . . . hair, MDs say

By
MARK DODICK

TORONTO —
The land that flows with milk and honey may well soon also flow with hair.

Two physicians here have taken the initial steps toward setting up a clinic in Israel to replace lost locks.

Planning to transform bald Israeli pates with hair by what they say is the only truly permanent, effective method of replacement are Toronto doctors, Larry Fremont and Peter Rothbart.

Fremont and Rothbart (both Jews) are co-owners of Hair & Faces International, operating The Hair Replacement Clinic here, and another clinic in St. Kitts.

And they are now in the process of opening Hair & Faces International Israel, in Tel Aviv. Fremont is going there later this month to consult with some of the 100 plus Israeli men who answered several small ads placed in newspapers.

Their connection to Israel, and the discovery that no such service was available there, came to light after they successfully treated Dr. Amos Rolider.

Rolider, a University of Haifa professor of psychology is on leave and doing research at Surrey Place Centre in Toronto.

On a recent trip home, Rolider found his fellow Israelis had no similar options, and saw a need that could be filled.

When they return to Israel, Rolider's wife Orah will be co-managing the clinic with Ilana Barak of Tel Aviv. And if the early interest level continues, Fremont says expansion to other cities in Israel will be considered.

The two doctors, meanwhile, have taken the first steps to permit them to work in Israel with an eye for possibly living there in the future.

Until that time, Fremont, who began his practice as a family physician, and Rothbart, an anesthetist for many years, will be commuting between Canada and Israel every few months or so on a rotating basis to look after their patients.

Fremont and Rothbart use two techniques for hair replacement — grafting and the "Brandy" technique.

Grafting involves transplanting hair from the sides or back of the head to the balding area. Depending on the area of baldness, about 300 grafts are required.

About 100 are placed in at a time with a rest period of about eight weeks between each procedure. With touch-ups, the entire process takes about 40 weeks.

According to their literature: "It is an operation much like the average dental procedure. Patients feel little, if any, discomfort during the procedure since only the outer layers of skin are used in transplanting hair."

The Brandy Bitemporal Flap (named after Dr. Dominic Brandy who pioneered the procedure), involves reducing the area of bald scalp in a novel way so the existing hair covers the head more completely.

If necessary, says Fremont, lightly covered areas can be filled in later with grafts.

The advantages of the Brandy technique, the doctors say in an information package, is that it is quicker, possibly less expensive, and is cosmetically more pleasing than conventional reduction methods.

In Israel, however, the doctors will only be performing the grafting procedure initially, because it is much less complicated, requiring less backup medical care.

Fremont says they will also place in fewer grafts each time to ensure fewer post-procedure problems for their Israeli patients.

Asked why he and his colleague chose to specialize in hair replacement, Fremont answered that Rothbart felt the need for a change after years in anesthesiology.

As for himself, Fremont said: "You have to be fairly artistic to create a head of hair — it has to taken in the shape of the head. If you place it back in a natural way, you can create something very pleasing — you have to be an artist.

"I like to think of it in that way instead of something mundane."

Auschwitz book to help hospital

JERUSALEM —
When Dr. Gisella Perl was released from Auschwitz concentration camp at the end of World War II, she vowed that someday the world would know her story.

Her book *I Was a Doctor in Auschwitz* was written several years later and became an international seller. Out of print for almost 30 years, it has been reissued for the benefit of Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Medical Centre, where Dr. Perl serves as a consultant in gynecology.

Perl, 88, visited Canada four years ago and told her story to hundreds of people. She was forced by the Nazis to run a "clinic" but was provided with no instruments, medication or equipment.

Perl became a successful gynecologist in New York and subsequently moved to Israel, where she joined the staff of Shaare Zedek. She now participates in an outpatients clinic once a week.

After the war, Perl learned that her son and husband had been killed. She never remarried.

Copies of the book may be ordered from The Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation at $18 each, for which a tax receipt will be provided. In Toronto, call (416) 781-3584; in Montreal, (514) 486-7301 and in Winnipeg, (204) 452-5261.

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3. **Every resident has the right** to be told who is responsible for and who is providing the resident's direct care.

4. **Every resident has the right** to be afforded privacy in treatment and in caring for his or her personal needs.

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c) to have the opportunity to participate fully in making any decision and obtaining an independent medical opinion concerning any aspect of his or her care, including any decision concerning his or her admission, discharge or transfer to or from a nursing home, and
d) to have his or her medical records kept confidential in accordance with the law.

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8. **Every resident** who is being considered for restraints has the right to be fully informed about the procedures and the consequences of receiving or refusing them.

9. **Every resident has the right** to communicate in confidence, to receive visitors of his or her choice and to consult in private with any person without interference.

10. **Every resident** whose death is likely to be imminent has the right to have members of the resident's family present twenty-four hours per day.

11. **Every resident has the right** to designate a person to receive information concerning any transfer or emergency hospitalization of the resident and where a person is so designated to have that person so informed forthwith.

12. **Every resident has the right** to exercise the rights of a citizen and to raise concerns or recommend changes in policies and services on behalf of himself or herself or others to the residents' council, nursing home staff, government officials or any other person inside or outside the nursing home, without fear of restraint, interference, coercion, discrimination or reprisal.

13. **Every resident has the right** to form friendships, to enjoy relationships and to participate in the residents' council.

14. **Every resident has the right** to meet privately with his or her spouse in a room that assures privacy and where both spouses are residents in the same nursing home, they have a right to share a room according to their wishes, if an appropriate room is available.

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16. **Every resident has the right** to be informed in writing of any law, rule or policy affecting the operation of the nursing home and of the procedures for initiating complaints.

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18. **Every resident has the right** to live in a safe and clean environment.

19. **Every resident has the right** to be given access to protected areas outside the nursing home in order to enjoy outdoor activity, unless the physical setting makes this impossible.

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ICRF raises funds

By
WENDY ROSEN

TORONTO —

The Toronto Chapter of the Israel Cancer Research Fund raised more than $250,000 at last week's fundraiser at Casa Loma.

Harvey Albert, who along with his wife Lynn are chapter co-chairmen, called the sold-out event, entitled An Evening of Elegance, a resounding success.

Money raised from the event will help the chapter achieve its goal of $1.6 million by the end of May.

Albert said the goal is "up substantially from last year" and if met, represents 61 1-year fellowships for Israeli scientists.

Asked why the current push, he replied that one in three people is affected by cancer — "it's a horrendous thing.

"I would like it to be a one-time thing (the campaign) so that a cure can be found."

Albert said the chapter usually raises funds by holding parlor meetings at which speakers include Israeli scientists.

The ICRF is dedicated to funding cancer research in Israel as opposed to the Israel Cancer Society, which focuses on helping cancer patients. The Toronto chapter is one of three — the others are in Ottawa and Montreal — in Canada.

Grant named to post

NEW YORK —

Toronto native Arthur Grant was recently named director of program and regional activities for the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, UAHC president, Rabbi Alexander Schindler has announced.

Grant, who was senior vice-president of Holy Blossom Temple prior to the appointment, has been active with the organization since the 1960s.

A founding director of Kadima, the Canadian Council of Reform Zionists, he has also been regional advisor/director of the Northeastern Lakes Federation of Temple Youth, and later regional director of the UAHC Canadian Council.

Grant holds undergraduate and graduate degrees from the University of Toronto, having studied medieval Jewish intellectual history and criminology.

For more than a decade, he directed his own consulting company in the development of human resources, and taught management studies at Humber College of Applied Arts and Technology.

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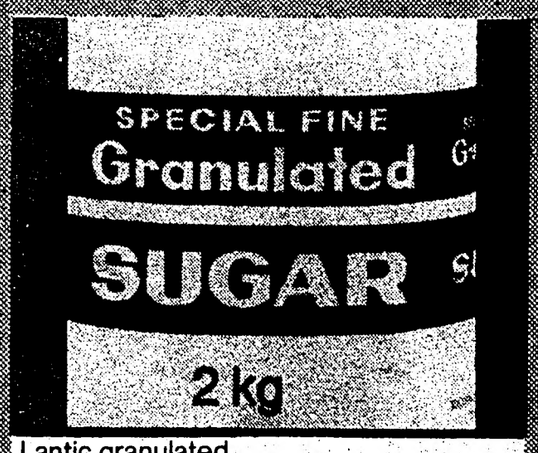

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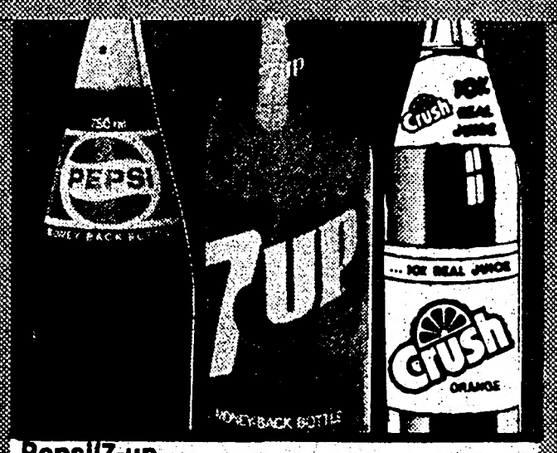

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Fashion

This group combines Semplice fabrication in white 14-gauge 100% cotton knit with the signature Semplice silhouette. On the left, a 3-pocketed duster (shown as a dress); on the right, a raglan-sleeved sweater with ribbed bottom and cuffs, worn over a matching, lowered-yoke, knife-pleated skirt. Available at Brooker's.

Bellissimo talent shines with sporty dressing

The mix of leather and fabric has always been magic but never so magic as when interpreted by one of Canada's premier designers.

Dominic Bellissimo's fall collection of sportswear and coats for Lindzon of Toronto has already been hailed as the "best ever" by buyers for its imaginative styling and innovative use of fabric and texture.

Already famous for his extravagant leathers and suedes, Bellissimo has now let his talent shine in sporty, daytime dressing for the modern woman.

One collection focuses on buttery soft leather. Smooth finishes are combined with double-dot textures. Skirts...young and fresh when short, elegant when long; free cut trousers and fingertip length, bubble and fitted jackets mix and match for a myriad of looks.

Colors for fall include teal, putty, caramel, egg/plant, papaya and black.

The combination of wool and leather is a natural for designer Bellissimo. Using only the finest pure wool in rich solid shades of forest green, teal, cinnamon and black and a matchstick and honeycomb design in teal/black and gray/black, Bellissimo's wool/leather collection has already won the coveted Woolmark Award for 1987.

Leather details on wool silhouettes include collars and cuffs on jackets, yokes on skirts, midriff waistbands on trousers and body-curved insets on fitting suits.

In all wool, Bellissimo coats are simple and sophisticated. Reefer coats, both single and double breasted; full swing styles and Princess line designs are only some of the 12 styles available.

"Combining leather with wool is a challenge I enjoy," says Bellissimo. "In addition to lowering the price of a garment, the use of wool expands my design options. I can shape the wool and use the leather to hold and define the shape or to accentuate a design feature".

The Dominic Bellissimo collections for Lindzon is available in major department stores and specialty chains across Canada, the United States and Japan.

Linear lines follow the body's shape in a sophisticated wool check jacket and pleated skirt. From the fall P.S.I. collection by Alvin Bell.

Bell's popular collections now sold in Canada

The talk of Seventh Avenue these days is about young designer Alvin Bell and the fashion cognescenti on Toronto's Spadina Avenue are now following suit, thanks to Canadian fashion manufacturer Jonathan Miller.

In the two short years that Bell has been designing for PSI and Chairman of the Board, well known names in the U.S. for some 35 years, the two collections have been selling out in the country's top stores.

Miller, watching this success from Toronto, decided fall was the time to move and now, with the Canadian license in his pocket, he is beginning to manufacture and market the two collections for Canada.

"Alvin Bell is a great talent," says Miller. "His collections reflect a love for pure style and an attention to detail one doesn't see very often, especially at this price level.

"As well, the manufacturers of the lines have a history of impeccable quality, both in manufacture and fabrics. We are working closely with both them and Alvin in order to offer the Canadian women the same high quality product as in the U.S."

PSI is a collection of some 40 high-style suits and dresses at retails between $250 and $500; while Chairman of the Board focuses on more executive-styled daytime suits and dresses to retail between $195 and $450.

Creative options in dressing are Bell's watchwords when it comes to design. The collections reflect both the sophisticated fashion appeal and the career needs of the woman of the 80s.

Signature separates include gently tailored cardigans and blazers combined with short and ankle-grazing skirts. Blousons, cinched tent tops and asymetrically closed jackets offer a new feeling for fall. Sexy suits emphasize the waist with wide belts, flirty peplums.

Dresses follow body lines or flare out into new swing shapes. Linear lines offer a geometric feeling. Dropped waists swing into tulip skirts.

Fabrics are lush, rich with texture and color. Subtle optics play on wool crepes, worsteds, gabardines and rayons. Classic wool shows up in Prince of Wales checks, shadow stripes, pure colors.

For evening, Vienna paisleys, dazzling dots and feline prints make up dresses and separates in silk, rayon acetate and wool challis.

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Toronto designer pays close attention to women's bodies

By
LORI SMITH

"Being male, I think I overcompensate by really paying attention to women's bodies when I design. Most women aren't anorexic, drops of water. They are full figured," says Toronto designer Charlie Grimes.

Grimes is the creator of the Black Rose collection of cotton/polyester interlock separates, a line of clothes available in 280 stores across Canada and in his flagship store in the Upper South Side at Queen's Quay Terminal.

His designs are functional, fashionable, comfortable and versatile—perfect clothes for today's busy woman. They are also designed to flatter the wearer.

"I have to relate to the word gravity. It's what happens to people's bodies. I stopped smoking and had a lot of Snicker's attacks. I can understand what people call the middle-age spread."

He says that there is really no such thing as a one-size fits-all design. People with different figure types want to wear different things.

His own collection contains three or four silhouette groups; one for the sizes 6 to 8 range, another for those who wear sizes 10 to 14 and yet another for women in the sizes 14 to 18 group. There are style crossovers but a size 16 usually will not want to wear the same outfit as a size 6 would.

The line consists of approximately 15 new colors every season and 35 to 40 separates that can be mixed and matched.

For fall and winter the Black Rose color palette includes taupe, camel, kelly green, magenta, red, charcoal gray, black and a reddish-brown chocolate. The silhouettes tend to be closer to the body and Grimes has used fewer shoulder pads.

Six skirt lengths are included in the collection. The shortest is a tight skirt that ends at the knee. Grimes says that he prefers the longer lengths for winter, that there is nothing more classic than a nice winter boot topped with a good skirt.

"Anyway, asking a woman to wear a short skirt in the winter is like asking a man to wear shorts."

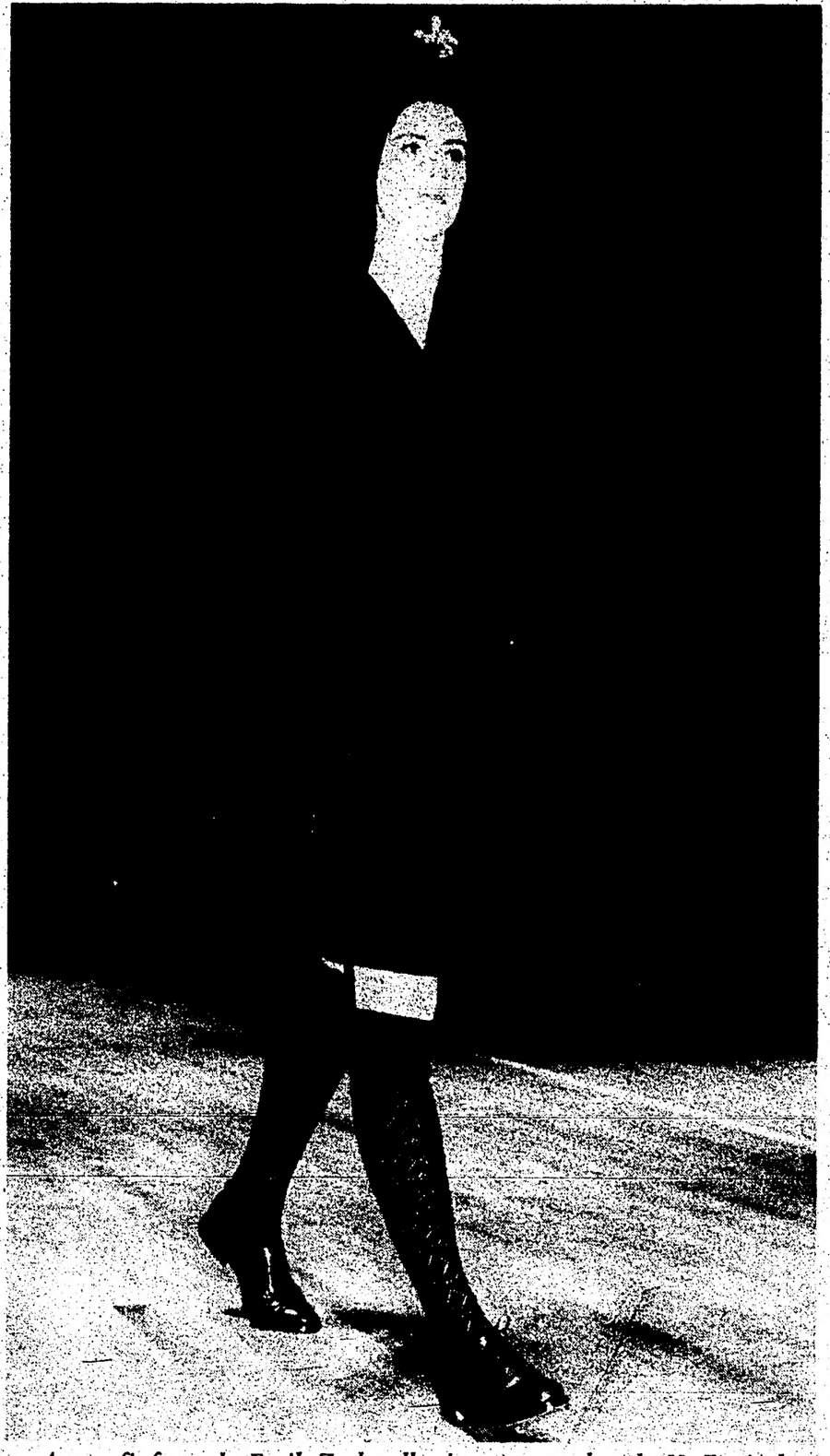
The fall and winter group includes 15 blouses, nine skirt styles, three pant designs, five jackets, seven dresses and four or five jumpsuits.

In addition to the interlock line, Grimes is introducing a fleece group with Donna Karan-like styling. In general, the designs have cleaner lines.

Some of the outstanding pieces in the collection include a small, cross-over wrap jacket; a cardigan with a wider shawl collar; dresses with a lot of brass buttons and a classic Chanel feeling, and for holiday, a reversible Chinese-kimono style duster.

Grimes says that what he has done is taken interlock and treated it like silk. The results of this care are evident in the line.

Black Rose designer Charlie Grimes teams a long full button-front skirt with a wide-belted jacket this fall.



An outfit from the Emily Zarb collection presented at the Ve Festival International du Lin, held in Monte Carlo.

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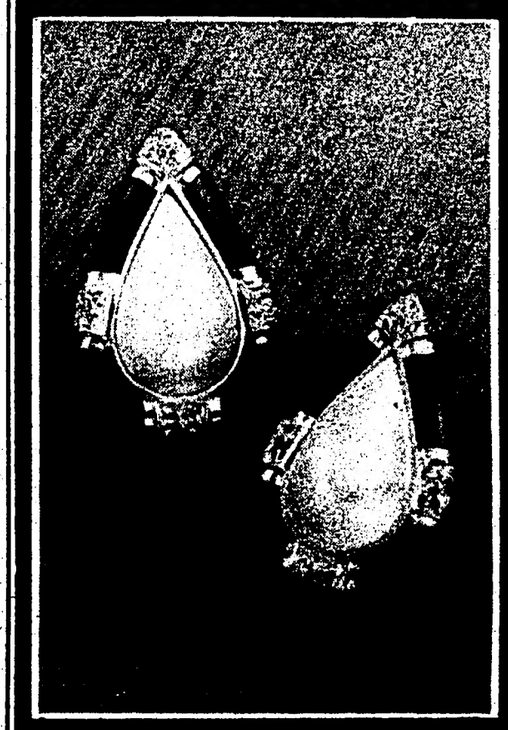

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Fashion

High quality sweaters

Olsen combines knitwear with sportswear pieces

By
LORI SMITH

Knitwear has been, and continues to be, one of the decade's most important fashion trends. And Olsen European Fashions, one of the world's largest manufacturers of knitwear, is a leader in the field.

Michael Ginsberg, owner of Ginsberg Fashion Agency Ltd., the Ontario representative of Olsen, says that the company, which is based in Hamburg, Germany and operates in 12 countries including Italy, specializes in high quality sweaters, sportswear and knit separates at attractive prices.

"The line is very popular in Europe. There they offer a sweater collection of approximately 600 pieces and a 400-piece sportswear line, and because sales begin earlier in Europe, we are able to weed the collection down and bring the bestsellers to Canada."

This fall and winter the Canadian collection consists of 150 to 200 of the best fashions Olsen has produced for the season.

The sweaters are available in a number of material mixtures and each style is offered in at least 10 colors.

The major color stories centre on a combination of taupe and soft pink or a natural off-white shade, polar blue, ice blue, off-white and black.

Patterns in the line include a Scandinavian-inspired group of sweaters with casual, sporty winter scenes on them; hearts; stripes; animal prints and representations such as a panther or cat and mouse; leaves and flowers. Appliques are frequently incorporated into the designs as are beads, sequins and other trims.

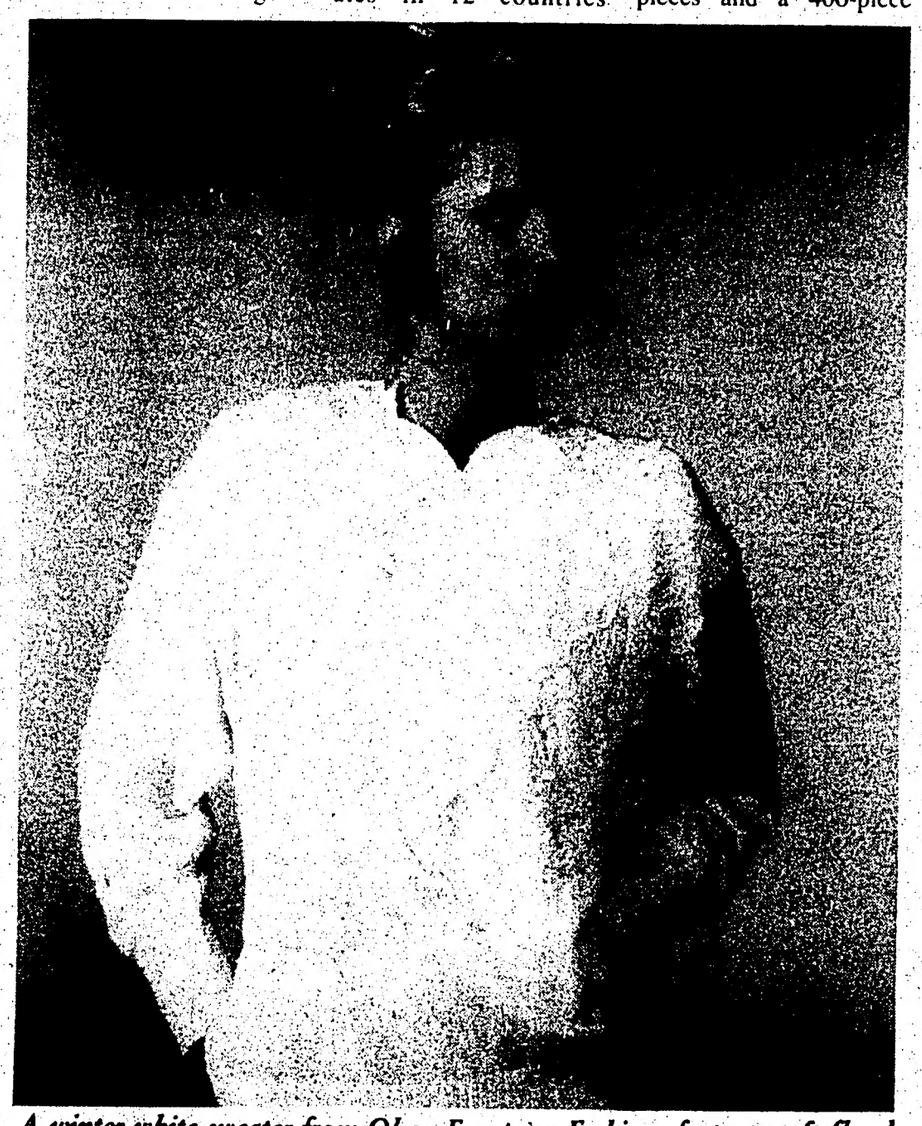
The garments range from dressy to casual. And while silhouettes this fall are fuller and longer, the holiday group is more body conscious and offers shorter lengths.

One of the most appealing aspects of the collection is the coordination of the knitwear and other sportswear pieces. Front pleated pants and silk blouses are dyed the same shades as the sweaters and match perfectly.

Several of the pieces also demonstrate the versatility of knitwear. A 2-piece set consisting of a simple, high-waisted, gored skirt and a beaded and appliqued top can be worn day and evening, to the office and then to dinner. Similarly, a cocoon-style cardigan with matching sweater and skirt could see a woman through many occasions.

The company, which is headed in Canada by Erhard Budzisch, has opened a 10,000 square foot building in Kitchener to serve as their Canadian service station. Plans for expansion have already begun.

Olsen European Fashions are available in better specialty and department stores across Canada.



A winter white sweater from Olsen European Fashions features soft floral appliques with beading.

A Scandanavian-inspired winter scene adorns one of this fall's sweaters from Olsen European Fashions.

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By
BARBARA KINGSTONE

For those who say there's nothing new in the world, no original business ideas, there's always a handful of entrepreneurs who find that avenue and fill a void.

New Zealand born Madeleine Webster, for instance, has taken an everyday given for women — perfume — and set up a company which has introduced an entirely new concept of marketing these products. She is providing a corporate service with customized 1-of-a-kind scents for both sexes.

High above the busy Bay and Queen streets intersection, Webster's showroom is filled with samples of her products and a colorful array of packaging.

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The blond aristocratic-looking mother of five, who in 1985 was backed by her husband, businessman Ben, now has offices in London, New York, Paris and Bermuda.

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tions personalized scents, but the minimum is 50 ounces with the maximum 250 ounces. The cost is approximately $95 an ounce.

The packaging is so special that the visual sense is often satisfied as well. Boxed in a pyramidal container in a choice of 11 colors, the exclusively designed seven-sided crystal bottle always has a hand-etched number and often the name of the event on the base.

Also included is a hand signed certificate from Webster with the edition and series number.

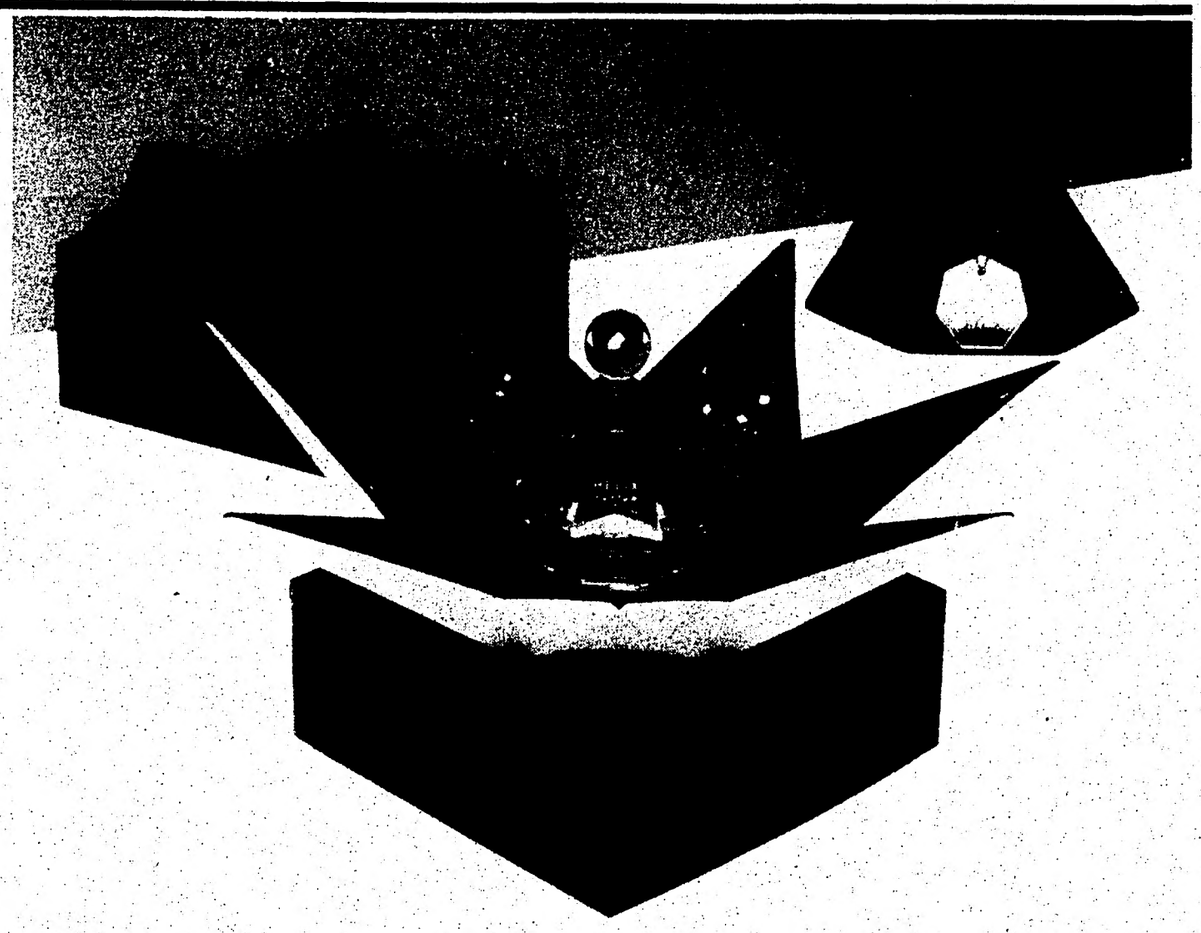
The Haute Couture line is for the individual who "buys haute couture clothes." And as Webster says, "why would a woman buy a couturier dress and wear it with a mass-produced perfume?"

These are often presented in antique one-of-a-kind perfume bottles which she and friends buy whenever "a wonderful bottle is available."

A new addition to the collection is Bermuda. With this line Webster is producing a broader range of products which include skin care.

In the works is a series of sun-oriented beach gear such as umbrellas and bags in the soft colors of sea green, peach and aqua — the Bermuda grouping.

For any woman with a penchant for individuality and a handful of gold coins, these fragrances are the stuff which turn men's heads and send them scurrying after you.



A dramatic design package is just one of the special features offered by Helix Fragrances, creators of individual haute couture perfumes.

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Arts

Compelling study has several flaws

Ebb and flow of Jewish triumph, tragedy depicted

books

By
BERNARD BASKIN

A History of the Jews, by Paul Johnson, Methuen, $39.95.

At first blush it seems like unmitigated chutzpah for a Catholic to write a history of the Jewish people. But the author of this 600-page, 4,000 year panoramic survey is convinced that his detachment from Judaism is an advantage. After all, he can bring to his analysis a refreshing objectivity and provide novel insights.

The author, a former editor of Britain's The New Statesman, is no stranger to formidable writing projects. Among them are *Modern Times: The World from the Twenties to the Eighties* and *The History of Christianity*. While writing the latter work he found that "the debt Christianity owed to Judaism was much greater than I'd supposed and, I think, much greater than most Christians or secular people realized."

The first thing to emphasize about this "personal interpretation of Jewish history" is that it is positive and sympathetic, a laudatory depiction of a stubborn people that has remained loyal to its message of ethical monotheism despite the manifold blandishments of time and place.

For Johnson, Jewish history is fasinating because it provides an answer to the question, "What are we on earth for?" He concludes, "No people has ever insisted more firmly than the Jews that history has a purpose and humanity a destiny."

The second thing to indicate about this study is that it is unfailingly compelling, intelligent and stimulating. With remarkable aplomb the author picks his way through a maze of events and personalities to show how the ebb and flow of Jewish triumph and tragedy have influenced the ideas and ideals of humanity.

Especially noteworthy are the biographical sketches of Jewish personalities from Abraham and David, through Hillel and Maimonides, to Spinoza, Heine, Herzl, Einstein and Freud.

Although admirable in intention, this ambitious work has a number of deficiencies. Is it true that Jews are a people hurtling through history, bound together at all times and in all places by similar ideology and faith? Jacob Neusner, the well known Jewish scholar, is outraged by the idea. "There is not and never has been, a single "Jewish identity," which Jews have uniformly preserved, unchanged, from some mythic beginning to this morning. There has been no such thing as one history covering all Jews, beginning to the present. There have been only histories of Jews. Proof comes from trying to write a single history: it just isn't there and never was."

One is also put off by the book's imbalance. Almost half of the volume is devoted to events of the past 20 years — the period of the Emancipation, the Holocaust and the State of Israel.

Johnson is weakest in his evaluation of the biblical period and seems to be unaware of recent scholarship. Especially surprising is his use of tendentious Christological translations from the Bible. The outmoded use of the word race as interchangeable with nation or people is unfortunate and should not occur in a new edition.

This provocative, often inspiring and eloquent history, can be read with profit, but not without caution. It provides information, but not always reliably. It presents a thesis that is intriguing but questionable. But for the most part, despite its bumps, "A History of the Jews" is a smooth and always interesting journey through four millenia. At the end it is good to learn that "the Jews will persist in pursuing truth, as they see it, wherever it leads."

NY cultural event attracting interest of many countries

By
ROSE KLEINER

NEW YORK —

A month-long international festival of music, dance, theatre, opera and film, worthy of the "Cultural Capital of the World," is scheduled for New York from June 11 to July 11, 1988. The Performing Arts of the Twentieth Century is the theme of the Festival.

Canada will be among the countries participating, along with Denmark, England, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Norway, Poland, Sweden, and, no doubt, Israel.

A budget of $8.5 million has been announced, with American Express as the founding sponsor, and largest contributor to the festival.

Other contributors already committed are the Helena Rubinstein Foundation, Louis Vuitton, Chase Manhattan Bank, and the Morgan Stanley Group.

Included in the plethora of events is a new ballet by the American Ballet Theater, under the direction of Mikhail Baryshnikov.

There will be a concert by the New York Philharmonic, with Zubin Mehta conducting, and a 2-week jazz festival.

At least eight new plays will be presented, one of which will be directed by Joseph Papp, with the New York Shakespeare Festival.

Stars of stage and screen, such as Dustin Hoffman, Nicol Williamson, Jason Robards and Colleen Dewhurst will appear in different theatrical performances.

Five theatre troupes will present a mini-festival of children's theatre.

Duke Ellington's symphonic music will be presented by the American Composers Orchestra.

International Treasures of Film will be viewed at the Museum of Modern Art.

The stages of more than 40 halls will be used during the festival. Among them will be the 92nd St. Y, Merkin Concert Hall, Lincoln Center and Carnegie Hall.

Tickets for the festival will be available through various sources, including mail order, American Express tour packages and coupons in a New York Times supplement.

Spy flick unveils top-notch acting

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

The Whistle Blower is a first-rate espionage picture.

Starring stellar British actors James Fox, Michael Caine, Sir John Gielgud and Nigel Havers, it is a thinking person's film bolstered by a cerebral script.

Bob (Havers) is a linguist at GCHQ, the government intelligence-gathering service, a man who loves the Russian language. GCHQ, since the trial of an employee found guilty of spying for the Soviets, has been in an uproar, and its agents have been instructed to report "inconsistencies" in their colleagues' behavior.

Bob, besides being dissatisfied with his superior's order, is disenchanted with the very nature of GCHQ, which he calls an "invisible government."

In conversation with Frank (Caine), his father, a conventional businessman, Bob explains that GCHQ will stop at nothing to achieve its ends, and reveals his desire to quit.

Frank doesn't understand his son's concerns, and urges him to stay on.

By the time *The Whistle Blower* ends, several people, including an inquisitive left-wing journalist, have been murdered, and an aristocratic double agent has been exposed.

The film, which is ably directed by Simon Langton, picks up a head of steam after Frank, following the sudden death of Bob, becomes suspicious of the circumstances surrounding his untimely demise.

Caine, in one of the best performances of his illustrious career, portrays a man who is determined to get to the bottom of the tragedy that has befallen him.

Gielgud is superb as the courtly traitor, while Fox is absolutely convincing as the amoral GCHQ senior official.

Barry Foster, a lesser-known actor, almost upstages them all with his riveting portrayal of Greig, Frank's old chum.

Most of all, a viewer can thank Julian Bond, the scriptwriter. His screenplay is a paragon of tight writing.

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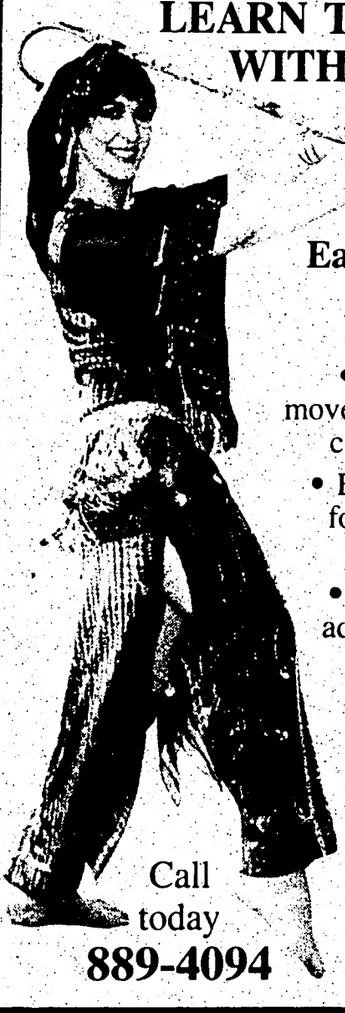

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Skylarking escapist fun, nostalgia fills 42nd Street

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

The lyrics from one of the songs pretty well sum up the show:

Who cares if
There's a plot
Or not,
You come to see
The dames,
Beautiful dames . . .

The song is *Dames* by that well-seasoned team of Broadway Tin Pan Alley tunesmiths, Harry Warren and Al Dubin.

The show is *42nd Street*, the touring company version of the 1980 Tony Award-winning "song-and-dance fable of Broadway," which is playing until Aug. 23 at the O'Keefe Centre.

The plot is a sappy wisp of a thing about a small-town chorus girl who goes on when the star takes ill, saves the show, and becomes a star herself.

And the dames are not only beautiful in a Betty Boop, kewpie doll style, but, in the slang of the 1930s, they're also nifty hoofers and snazzy singers of such Warren/Dubin golden oldies as *We're In The Money, Shuffle Off To Buffalo, You're Getting To Be A Habit With Me*, and *Lullaby Of Broadway*.

I refer to the 1930s advisedly, because the musical, of course, is based on the 1933 Let's-put-on-a-show movie classic, also called *42nd Street*.

It starred Ruby Keeler as the klutzy innocent gamine from Allentown, Pa. Warner Baxter was the veteran Broadway producer who gives the kid a break. And other principal roles were played by Dick Powell, Ginger Rogers and Bebe Daniels.

But the real star of the film was Busby Berkeley, the wizardly dance director, destined to become famous for his spectacular, kaleidoscopic girly chorus numbers.

The 1980 Broadway revival of the musical featured Gower Champion's choreographic salute to Berkeley, and the dance numbers are fast-paced, sleek, inventive, and wonderfully imaginative.

I can't say the same for the script. It's a child's garden of sweet banalities, in which the characters talk in comic book balloons. The dialogue is almost a parody of the dopey cliches that characterized musicals of that period.

But producer David Merrick was smart enough to insist that the performers play their lines straight, rather than camping it up. There's a certain old-fashioned, kitschy charm conveyed when David Brummel, as the show's fictional producer-director, gives a last-minute pep talk to the ingenue heroine played by Gina Trano.

Backstage, pointing his finger, he declaims in shmaltzy sincerity: "Peggy, you're going out there a youngster! But you'll come back a star!"

Altogether, it's a sappily good-natured, skylarking piece of escapist fun and nostalgia. It's splendid warm-weather entertainment, or, as they used to say in the Dirty Depression Thirties, delightful oldfashioned fiddle-faddle that'll help you forget your troubles.

Doug Okerson is surrounded by the Betty Boop, kewpie-doll-like chorines of the musical, 42nd Street, at the O'Keefe Centre.

Dramatic arts bursaries created

TORONTO —

The Society for the Recognition of Canadian Talent Inc. recently announced the establishment of five bursaries in dramatic arts at Jerusalem's Hebrew University, in honor of five leading local politicians.

The bursaries are in the name of Ontario Premier David Peterson, MP Barbara McDougall, MPP Monte Kwinter, Toronto Mayor Arthur Eggleton, and MP William Attewell.

The society gives two annual bursaries in radio broadcasting at Humber College in honor of native Canadians Lorne Greene and Monty Hall.

Three society bursaries in theatre arts at York University honor Kate Reid, Mavor Moore and Herbert Whitteker. A full scholarship in journalism at Ryerson Polytechnical Institute memorializes the late alderman George Ben, one of the founders of the society.

The society was founded in August, 1966, to encourage and promote the recognition of Canadian talent in the Canadian entertainment industry.

It was in the forefront of the campaign to increase Canadian content on radio and TV in the early 70s.

The society currently opposes the application of MTV Broadcasting System Inc. to operate a multilingual television network "chiefly because of its request to reduce its Canadian content quota from the required 60% to 30%," said Alderman Ben Nobleman, society president.

"There should be an increase in ethnic Canadian programming, not a decrease," he said.

Kids book contest

NEW YORK —

The 3rd annual Sydney Taylor Manuscript Competition for aspiring authors of children's books was recently announced by The Association of Jewish Libraries.

A cash award of $1,000 will be given for the best fiction manuscript appropriate for readers aged 8 to 12, written by an unpublished author, the association says in a press release.

The story should have universal appeal, yet serve to deepen the understanding of Judaism and reveal positive aspects of Jewish life.

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Arts

From Jewish common sense to chassidism

Gift-giving a cinch with launching of these books

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Four new books may make the gift season ahead easier for hard-to-please purchasers and recipients.

Windows to Jewish Knowledge, by Rabbi Aron Horowitz ($10), is a soft-cover compendium of common sense shored in Jewish scholarship.

Horowitz, a Conservative rabbi from Western Canada who retired in Toronto about 12 years ago, tackles a variety of current issues with practical table-talk little essays.

• Dual loyalty? It is double standards when it comes to Jews and Israel that is the real problem.

• Women's alleged inferiority? Both wife and husband have essential complementary roles in raising their family, according to tradition.

• Converts through Reform and Conservative rabbis can become Jews as dedicated as those converted through Orthodox rabbis, he argues. Horowitz raises the paradox of abysmally ignorant or self-hating Jews by birth having undisputed status as Jews, according to Halacha.

Readers may not agree with all he writes, but are bound to find much of value in this informal little volume.

Louis Newman's classic The Hasidic Anthology (Jason Aronson, US$40) is back in print. The 715-pg. hardcover compendium of history, lore and anecdotes is probably still the best single-volume work on chassidism ever published in English.

A concise 40-pg. introduction more than adequately prepares the reader for the hundreds of stories and parables ahead, divided into some 200 topics. A detailed index provides handy access to them all.

One criticism, a mere quibble in light of the perennial worth of the book.

Except for the elegant grey and white fly leaf, nothing seems to have been updated since at least its previous publication (by Schocken in 1963). The book's type and layout is reminiscent of the 30s when it was first published by Charles Scribner's Sons. Is today's purchaser not entitled to a little more for his 40 American dollars?

The Bar Mitzvah Book (Hugh Levin Associates-Collier Macmillan, $24) has the makings of a personal souvenir album that its young recipient will treasure all his life.

Its charms begin with the cover, padded and bound in blue cloth, lettered in gold, and illustrated with a gold-framed full color woodcut. About a dozen paintings and illustrations of bar mitzvah scenes are interspersed with pages for personal data. The latter allow space for many details, from who received the aliyas at the ceremony to the party guest list.

It 's an excellent gift, one whose value will increase with the effort put into filling in the details and with the years.

Daniel Friedenberg's Medieval Jewish Seals from Europe (Wayne State University Press, US$57.50) is a specialized academic tract whose striking layout, illustrations and binding render it an attractive gift for history, coin and stamp buffs.

Seals in personal and public collections across Europe are detailed in photos, text and maps, suggesting a significant Jewish contribution to the continent's economic life for many hundreds of years.

Little known facts brought to light — such as that Jews may have served as knights in early England — are fascinating.

Women offer programming

TORONTO —

Two local women have expanded their cultural programming for the upcoming season, which between them will range from current movies to Yiddish folk music.

Heather Kassel, who has specialized in conducting monthly book reviews of contemporary fiction, will also begin reviewing one movie per month this fall and winter.

Naomi Bell, music chairman of Holy Blossom Temple, is expanding her lecture-recital series on shtetl and early chalutz (modern agricultural pioneers of Israel) living.

Bell has taught music at several congregational and day schools, including Holy Blossom Religious School and Associated Hebrew Day Schools. She was music director of Bialik Hebrew Day School for 10 years.

Heather Kassel

Naomi Bell

Bell has collected hundreds of Yiddish songs, and developed a number of lecture-recitals which centre around specific themes in Jewish life. As she sings the songs and accompanies herself on the piano, Bell explains the history and culture and folk experiences which gave birth to the songs.

In a program entitled For The Love Of Zion, Bell illustrates through music the forces which led the early Chovevei Tzion (Lovers of Zion) to the land of Israel, and the struggles and accomplishments of the early chalutzim to rebuild the land of their dreams.

Bell has presented her lecture-recitals to numerous organizations, including synagogues, study groups and women's organizations. She is listed in the speakers' registries of Hadassah-WIZO, National Council of Jewish Women, and Toronto Jewish Congress.

Kassel has arranged book reviews for Jewish organizations, as well as running her own private classes.

Kassel's interest in film stems from her feeling that "there is a real need for instruction in this most complex art form. Most people have little, if any, education in it."

Also, she told The Canadian Jewish News, "many people do not have the time to read fiction but they do see many movies."

Kassel will discuss one film per month in a lecture offered both in the afternoon and evening. Each film is available on video cassette or may be previewed before the lecture.

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Timothy Dalton as James Bond.

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER
TORONTO –

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James Bond, that dashing British secret service agent, has returned to the screen after a hiatus of two years.

The Living Daylights, the 15th Bond film since 1962, has all the ingredients we've come to expect of the genre, the most enduring movie series in history.

It boils over with action and foreign intrigue, it dazzles a viewer with high-tech gimmicks, and it features beautiful women and artful villains set against the backdrop of exotic and tantalizing locales.

Now playing at Famous Players theatres, *The Living Daylights* was shot on location in Gibraltar, Austria, Morocco, Italy, Britain and the U.S. It pits Bond against the Soviet KGB and a greedy, amoral American arms dealer.

For the first time in 16 years, there is a new Bond, Timothy Dalton, a Shakespearean actor, of all things. Dalton, who has replaced the suave Roger Moore, tends to be low-key and far more reflective than his predecessor. And although he enjoys the company of ladies, he is not a shameless womanizer. He is a down-to-earth fellow with whom the common viewer can probably identify.

He also swallows his words here and there, making it a little difficult to understand him some of the time.

But *The Living Daylights*, which is directed by Bond veteran John Glen, does not hang precariously on Dalton's sentences. Rather, it depends on explosive scenes that appeal to a viewer's sense of adventure and love of gadgetry.

In the opening sequence, three parachutists, including Bond himself, float down onto picturesque Gibraltar. This is followed by a couple of obligatory killings and the inevitable car chase.

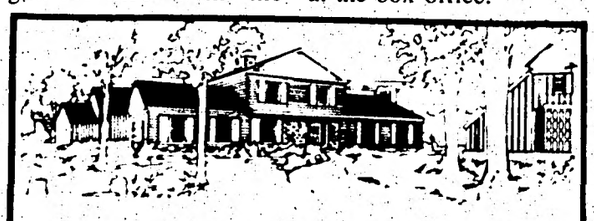
Bond's gleaming Aston Martin Volante is a sight to behold, being equipped with missiles, retractable snow skis and a jet engine booster rocket. For good measure, he wears a key ring that performs terrifying tasks with merely the blow of a whistle.

The villains are Koskov (Jeroen Krabbe), a KGB general who lusts after the material comforts of the West; Whitaker (Joe Don Baker), the ruthless arms dealer who dabbles in heroin, and Necros (Andreas Wisniewski), the gun-for-hire with the slicked-back blond hair.

The big disappointment is the lead lady, Maryam d'Abo. She is a beautiful, demure creature, but she is as exciting as a wet rag. It would be better if she never appears in a Bond flick again.

On balance, *The Living Daylights* offers typical Bond fare, cinematic cotton candy that can be digested with a minimum of fuss.

It should rake in millions at the box office.



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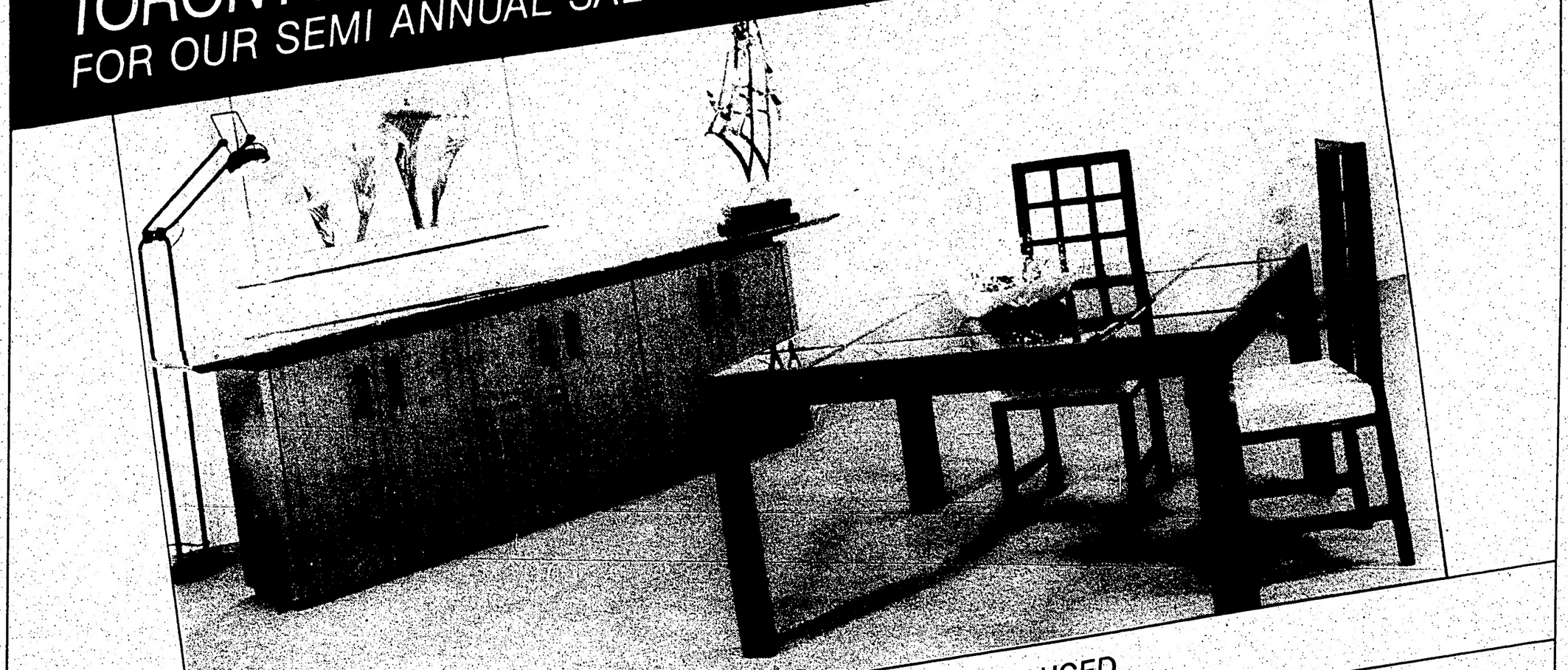

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Arts

Dames disappoints like a stale beer after fine wine

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

I know, I know. Comparisons are said to be odious, and I'm probably being unfair by making the comparison.

Nevertheless, it's the prime reason why I was so disappointed in *Dames At Sea*, Brian Macdonald's revival of the 1968 Off Broadway mini-musical, playing until Sept. 5 at Harbourfront's Premiere Dance Theatre, 207 Queen's Quay W., 869-8444.

It's supposed to be a spoof of *42nd Street*, the Broadway version of the 1933 Busby Berkley film musical, which I happened to see at the O'Keefe Centre the night before I attended *Dames At Sea*.

Well, as I say, I was terribly disappointed. It was like tasting stale beer after savoring a glorious bottle of Chateau Lafite Rothschild.

Okay, I realize the O'Keefe Centre production had lavish sets and costumes and a gorgeous, full-scale chorus line from Broadway. In comparison, *Dames At Sea* was presented in a miniature, bandbox theatre with a total cast of six Canadian singing hoofers.

But even taking all that in account, it's still a disappointingly uneven show. And I blame Brian Macdonald, the usually brilliant director-choreographer of Stratford's Gilbert and Sullivan comic operettas. Up until now, I felt he could do no wrong.

But here Macdonald has directed his cast in a charmless, heavy-handed fashion. His biggest mistake is indulging in wretched excess, while trying to lampoon a lampoon.

Dames At Sea is a parody of *42nd Street*, which is already a parody of the 1930s backstage genre of show - within - a - show musicals.

It's about a naive stage-struck girl named Ruby (a sendup of Ruby Keeler, get it?), who arrives in New York from Centreville, USA, with nothing but a pair of tap dancing shoes in her suitcase.

She lands a chorus girl job in a Broadway musical the very first day. When creditors foreclose on the theatre, Mona, the siren leading lady, vamps a U.S. naval captain into letting them stage the show aboard his battleship. And when Mona becomes seasick, guess who replaces her as the star?

There's nothing wrong with all this cornball nonsense, except that Macdonald appears to have encouraged his cast to play it for broad, slapstick laughs. The result is what I call nudge humor.

You don't merely tell a joke and let it stand on its own wit. You keep nudging the listener with your elbow, and with a mule-like hee-haw, you keep repeating, "Just listen to this funny knee-slapper! You'll *platz* laughing!"

It's about as subtle as a punch in the jaw and, of course, it's thoroughly unfunny.

This coarse kind of farce is exemplified in the line when Mona, as played by the customarily gifted Toronto showgirl-comedienne Sandra O'Neill, yells out to Ruby, portrayed by the similarly talented performer, Cynthia Dale:

"Ruby, you can go out on that poop deck a chorus girl! And you'll come back a star!"

Broadway producer David Merrick insisted that the similar original line in *42nd Street* be played absolutely straight. It has no hint of mockery, and so the corny cliche resonated with good-humored affection. But with its slam-bang delivery here, the line fell flat.

I was further disappointed in the staging of some of the song-and-dance numbers. Admittedly, the songs by the team of Jim Wise, George Haimsohn and Robin Miller are no great shakes. For example, in an attempt to parody the great Cole Porter, the atrocious lines for *The Echo Waltz* rhyme in this dreadful style:

There's something about you,
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A Swiss mountain echo. . .

Yet, because of his formidable reputation, I expected Macdonald to overcome such cat-and-dog-gerel and come up with something inventive.

As it turned out, I found only two dance numbers up to Macdonald's high standards — *Choo-Choo Honeymoon*, performed by the troupe's two best singing comics, Mary Trainor and Jim White; and *Raining In My Heart*, with all six hoofers twirling their plastic umbrellas in an amiable takeoff of *Dancin' In The Rain*.

George S. Kaufman, the late astringently witty Broadway playwright, used to wisecrack, "Satire is what closes on Saturday night." Unfortunately, *Dames At Sea* sinks under the weight of its ham-handed satire.

Artist creates in a bomb shelter

By
MARK DODICK

TORONTO —

When Sara Sefton Shor steps out of her bomb shelter studio on a sultry summer afternoon she can see the snow glisten on Mount Hermon.

A native of Toronto, Shor lives with her husband Ammi and sons Assaf, Akiva and Hillel on Moshav Shadmot Mechola in the Jordan Rift Valley.

In an idyllic landscape which balances beauty and danger, she is compelled to combine service to her settlement and family, with a need to create.

Shor was here recently to visit family (parents Victor and Edith Sefton are active in Parents of North American Israelis) and to hold a 1-day show of her art.

If her working space seems dire, her work is anything but.

She draws her inspiration from Pirkei Avot and other Jewish sources, combining fine calligraphy with lyrical depictions of people, landscape and symbols.

Sara Sefton Shor is seen with her painting Simchat Torah.

And she uses the bomb shelter, she explained, because the moshav wants it well tended in the event of an emergency.

A graduate of the Ontario College of Art, Shor has lived on the moshav since 1977. "Other than children," she says it produces a variety of fruits and vegetables, and also operates a metalwork and hydraulics factory.

Unlike city artists who are essentially free to come and go, Shor must do service in her community. Residents share in the labor and profits, but live individually in their own homes with their own kitchens.

If Shor loses some hours in the running of the moshav by working part-time as a secretary, she still feels the compromise worthwhile.

Not only does she gain some stability, but the Mizrachi-affiliated moshav has provided her with working space, and an account from which she can draw against for the cost of her materials. And she still manages to do her own work for about 10 hours per week.

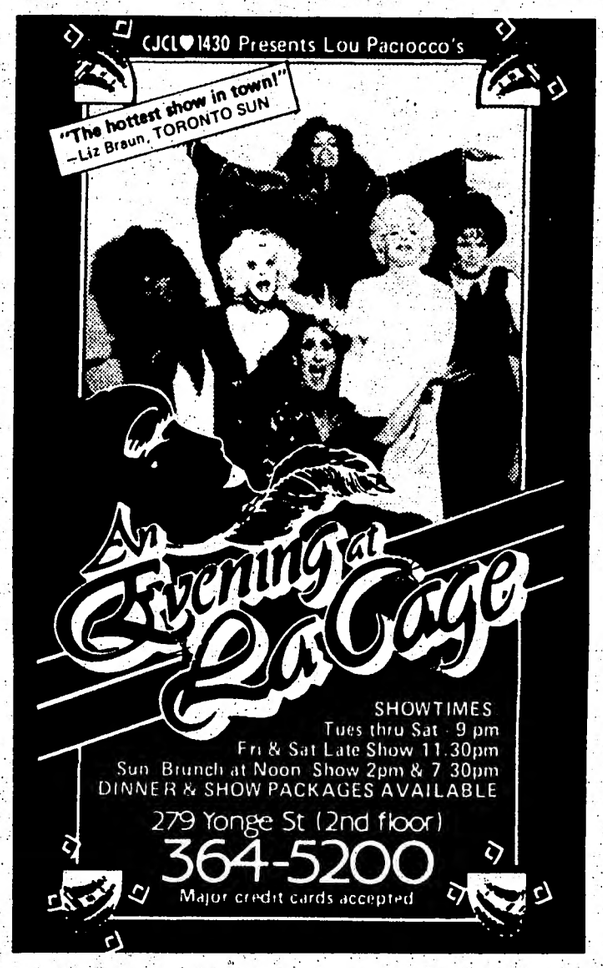
In the past, Shor has created ketubot and family trees, and still does them on commission. Her craftwork has been sold in Maskit in Israel, and she says she also has some pieces on show at Dorion Fine Judaica on Eglinton Ave. in Toronto.

Asked why she chose to work on the theme of Pirkei Avot, Shor answers: "In Israel with so much intolerance between religious and non-religious, I thought it was good to remember the sentiments expressed in Pirkei Avot.

"I have also drawn on other Biblical sources and modern Israeli poetry," she adds

"I think I've got a message...a love of Jewish tradition and everything that entails, the country and the heritage."

Those interested in Shor's work may be able to find it at Dorion, or should contact her on the moshav at 06 582795 or 06 582711.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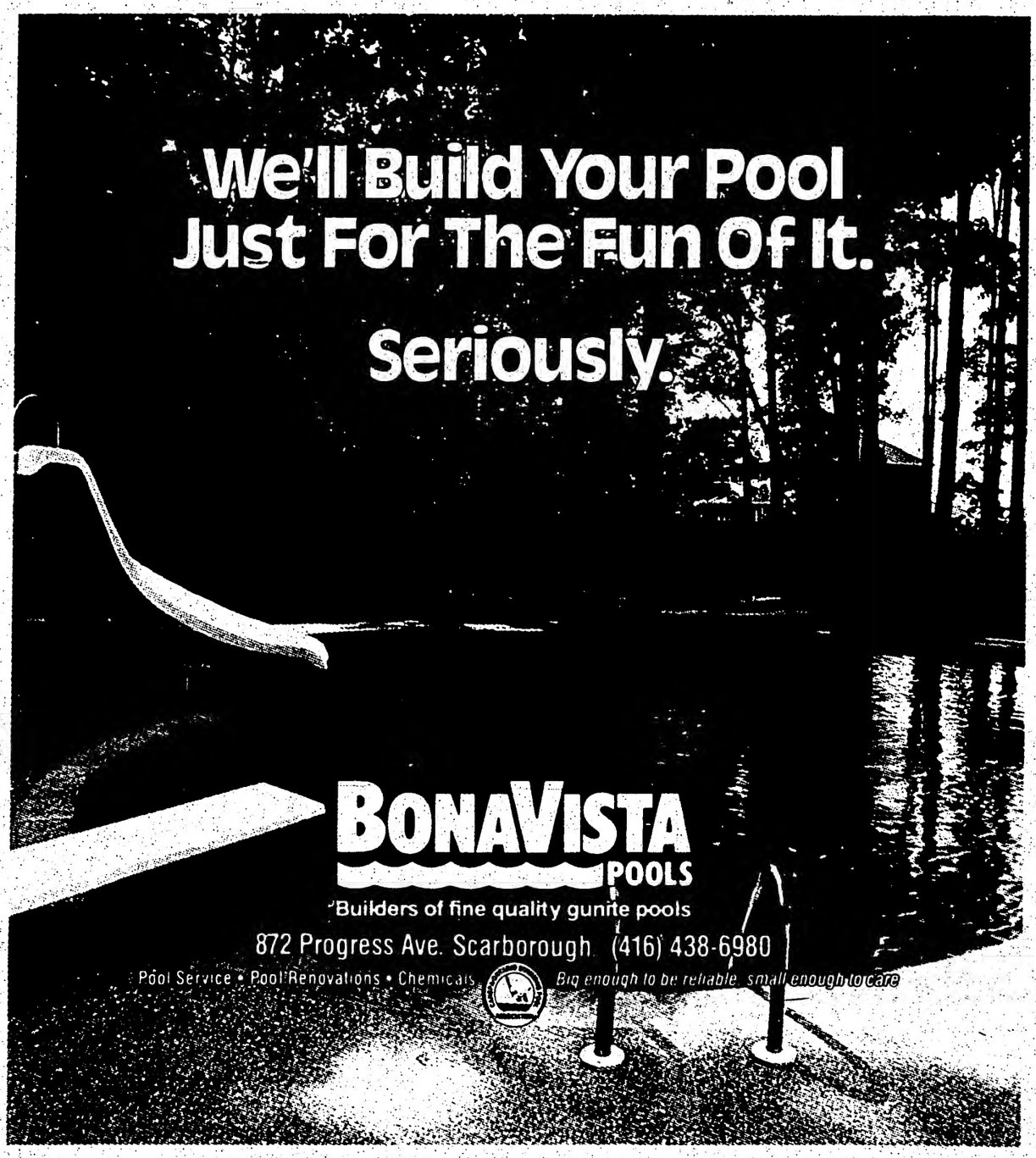
The show is being co-sponsored by the non-profit Enoch Turner Foundation and by the couple who assembled the collection, Judy Herscovitch and Mel Orecklin of The Gallery of Costume.

The show will run from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. each day, Entrance is $2.50; senior citizens, free.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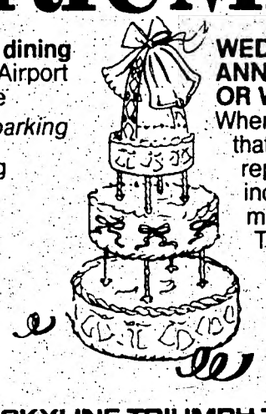

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"A comedy that crackles with irony and wit"

Canadian cast makes Miss Firecracker enchanting

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

"The theatre is a place where you have time for the problems of people you otherwise wouldn't let in if they came to your office looking for a job."

The quote comes from Tennessee Williams. He was, of course, the late prize-winning playwright from Columbus in Mississipi. His plays dealt with incomplete people — desperate women, men nursing troublesome secrets, untouchables whom he touched with candor and mercy. They have been called society's derelict rag dolls.

The same might be said of the characters created by another Mississippi-born playwright. She is Beth Henley, probably best known for her Pulitzer Prize-winning Broadway play, *Crimes Of The Heart*, which was converted into a Hollywood film.

Henley has been nicknamed "the female Tennessee Williams" and her plays have been called "Southern Fried Gothic" because they are said to be melodramas peopled by Mississippi grotesques, misfits and outcasts.

However, she differs markedly from Williams in the sense that she writes comedies and the eccentrics in them can be very funny as well as poignant characters.

There are a good many laughs in what is undoubtedly her most amusing comedy, *The Miss Firecracker Contest*, playing until Aug. 29 at the St. Lawrence Centre (366-7723).

I enjoyed it far more than I did *Crimes Of The Heart*, which was too cutesy for my taste.

The local Theatre Plus production, sensitively directed by Malcolm Black, with the assistance of Shelley Tepperman, opens in a delightfully comic spirit.

We see Carnelle, the promiscuous, orphaned sex tramp of her Mississippi home town (where she has been nicknamed "Miss Hot Tamale") rehearsing in her star-spangled costume for the 4th of July Miss Firecracker Contest.

Cynthia Belliveau stars enchantingly in The Miss Firecracker Contest, a Theatre Plus comedy at the St. Lawrence Centre.

In a hilariously awkward tap dance, she twirls a baton and galumphs around the living room while singing out of key the U.S. national anthem, *O Say Can You See*.

As she phrases it grandiosely, Carnelle is resolved to redeem her reputation as a beauty pageant winner and leave town "in a crimson blaze of glory."

We are quickly introduced to an assembly of other quirky characters.

One is her fey, nearsighted seamstress nicknamed Popeye, who learned the fundamentals of her craft by sewing pink skirts for frogs, claims to hear voices through her eyes, and generally behaves like the dithery Butterfly McQueen in *Gone With The Wind*.

We meet her tousle-haired cousin Delmount, "a romantic figure with a checkered career," who writes poetry, maintains he was unjustly forced to be a patient in a lunatic asylum, and recently left his job "scraping up dead dogs from the road."

We next meet Delmount's sister Elaine, a vain southern belle, who won a previous Miss Firecracker Contest, has been nicknamed "Miss Perfect," has left her rich husband, two kids and her mansion's grandfather clocks out of boredom "because I felt I was missing my life," and rejoices in the opportunity to give speeches on "My Life As A Beauty."

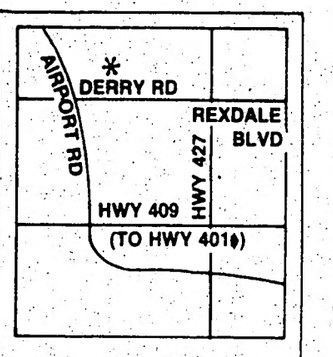
They might be dismissed as oddballs and freaks, but Henley has the gift for making you care about them. Furthermore, the performers are first-rate Canadian actors and probe sympathetically into the psyche of the characters they portray.

Although none of them caught exactly the Deep South accents, I admired especially Cynthia Belliveau in the lead role of Carnelle; she was promising in last season's *Talley and Son* and has blossomed forth marvelously here as a comedienne and character actress.

Similarly, Wanda Cannon, who gave a fine performance in the Theatre Plus production last year of Eugene O'Neill's *Desire Under The Elms*, is outstanding as an elegant and sophisticated Elaine.

Henley has written eloquently of herself: "I like to write characters who do horrible things, but whom you can still like because of their human needs and struggles. I try to understand that ugliness in everybody."

Indeed, she does it lovingly and charmingly in *The Miss Firecracker Contest*. It's a comedy that crackles with irony and wit and is a winner that you'll find enchanting.



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Jewish history pervades Jamaica's tropical shores

MONTEGO BAY — When one thinks of the Caribbean island of Jamaica, images of lolling in sunshine and splashing in turquoise waves come to mind. Beyond that tropical vacation and all its pleasures, Jamaica offers Jewish travellers the opportunity to gain insight into the history of another Jewish community.

Although Jamaican Jews' background is similar in spirit and tradition to those of North America, their history and experience differ from North American Jews.

Jamaica has the distinction of being one of the first Jewish settlements in the New World, whose roots date as far back as the Nina, Pinta and Santa Maria. In fact, a number of Christopher Columbus' crew are said to have been Marranos, Spanish and Portuguese Jews who feigned being Christian to avoid persecution during the Inquisition, but actually practiced Judaism in secrecy.

From 1494 to 1655, Jamaica offered Jews a haven in the New World, and a particularly strong Marrano colony was formed in Jamaica. In fact, at that time, the Marranos accounted for over half the white population of Jamaica.

When the British captured Jamaica in 1655, the Spaniards fled to Cuba. The Marranos, however, were welcomed to stay and publicly resume their Jewish identities and religious observances. In 1831, Jamaica's Jews were granted full British citizenship with complete civil liberties 27 years before such freedom was given to England's own Jews.

Ever since that period, the Jamaican Jewish community has flourished and played a vital role in the country's government, commerce and political life as well as in social and cultural pursuits.

Its strong Jewish historical associations are a good reason why the capital city of Kingston merits a visit as part of a Jamaican vacation.

Colorful and vibrant, Kingston boasts museums, theatres, beautifully landscaped gardens, quaint shopping plazas and grand plantation houses.

Of Jamaica's several original synagogues, Kingston houses the Island's sole remaining temple, the United Congregation of Israelites. The 200-member congregation is an amalgamation of Sephardim and Ashkenazim. Visitors are always welcome and no tickets are required even for the High Holy Days.

The acting spiritual leader of the United Congregation and of the Jamaican Jewish community is Ernest de Souza, a descendant of one of the early Sephardic settlers. Souza is an outgoing, expert source of information on Jamaica's Jewish history.

For a closer look into the past, visitors to the north coast resort of Montego Bay will want to explore one of the area's better preserved historic Jewish cemeteries, located in town, adjacent to the Jamaican Tourist Board office at Cornwall Beach.

The Jamaica Tourist Board's Meet-the-People program matches vacationers' interests to those of hundreds of volunteer Jamaican families. Jewish visitors curious about the lives of their Jamaican counterparts are encouraged to participate in this popular program.

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Today Jamaica's Jewish population numbers under 1,000 though many other Jamaicans have Jewish ancestors. This long history of religious tolerance and cultural diversity is reflected in Jamaica's national motto, "Out of many one people."

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Antiquing in Vermont annual treat

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This year, the 12th Annual Vermont Foliage Antiques Show and Sale, sponsored by the Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce, will be staged at the Champlain Valley fairgrounds in Essex Junction, Vt., during the Columbus Day Weekend, Oct. 10 and 11.

Over 50 antiques dealers from Vermont, New York, and the New England area will offer a wide variety of unusual wares.

Among the goods offered will be furniture ranging from primitive to turn-of-the-century, antique jewelry and tools, linens and clothing from the Victorian age, quilts, pillows, kitchen collectibles and antique toys.

Over the years, the fair has become a major event for antiques dealers and buyers in the Northeast. There will be something to fit everyone's pocketbook, from the novice to the avid collector.

This year's fair is expected to attract over 3,000 shoppers. Admission price is $3 per person; free for children under 12 accompanied by an adult.

A snack bar on the premises will offer homemade sandwiches and pastries and Vermont hot apple cider.

So, whether you're looking for an old object to grace your home or an unusual piece to add to your collection, don't miss this important annual antiques event. It's also a pleasant way to spend an afternoon while enjoying Vermont's fall foliage.

Cruise line will extend its free air program to include Canada

MIAMI — Carnival Cruise Lines will extend its free air program to include major Canadian cities effective Sept. 1, the line has announced.

Gateways for 7-day sailings from Miami of the SuperLiners Holiday, Jubilee and Celebration are Halifax, Quebec City, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto and Winnipeg. In addition, Western Canada departures to Miami also are available for a $100 per person add-on from Regina, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver.

All cities with air add-ons, as well as Halifax and Winnipeg, include overnight hotel accommodations prior to the cruise.

For 7-day sailings of the Tropicale from Los Angeles, departures from Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Winnipeg, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver all will include free air.

Free air cities for 3- and 4-day cruises from Miami and Ft. Lauderdale aboard the Carnivale and Mardi Gras, respectively, are Montreal and Toronto.

Prices for all Carnival 7-day cruises begin at $975 (U.S.) while 4-day voyages are available from $495 (U.S.) and three days from $375 (U.S.). Any existing "cruise only" reservations that qualify for free air may be converted without penalty.

The program is not yet available for sailings of the line's Festivale from San Juan.

For further information or reservations contact your travel agent.

Kings Hotel is sold to American

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — The Kings Hotel, one of the veteran hostelries of Jerusalem, has been sold to an American investor.

The Jerusalem Hebrew weekly Kol Ha-ir recently reported that the property had cost the new owner, Henry Moskowitz of New York, around $15 million.

The Jerusalem Post has since learned that the actual figure was just over half that sum. The 214-bedrooms facility passed into Moskowitz's hands in exchange for $7.75 million, said his lawyer Arye Pinchuk.

Pinchuk denied all knowledge of information contained in the Kol Ha-ir report to the effect that the hotel will become an ultra-Orthodox establishment run along similar lines to that of the Central Hotel, owned by Agudat Yisrael Knesset Member Menachem Porush.

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Travel

Antiquity, modernity coexist in Turkey

Istanbul's Topkapi, Grand Bazaar not to be missed

By
JAMES MONTAGNES

ISTANBUL, Turkey —
In Turkey antiquity mixes shoulder to shoulder with modernity. Street hawkers carry their sherbets, coffee and yogurt in containers on their backs as in days of old. In contrast you'll find the latest in fashions on the beaches which line the country's shores.

This is a different world. If nothing else, the countless minarets announce that fact. From these ornamental columns attached to every mosque the muezzin call the Moslem faithful to prayer five times a day. Today the muezzin use microphones and loudspeakers in the major cities, and some even intone the prayer call on tape.

Istanbul is by far the most visited of Turkish cities. Its more than 3 million people create a hive of activity in every sector. They swarm over the docks where ships from all over the world load and unload their cargos. They walk, ride on donkeys, travel in buses, shared taxis called dolmus and in horse-drawn carts along the steep, curved, narrow, cobblestoned streets lined with solid blocks of old buildings.

In colorful ancient costumes or modern dress they speed in large and small cars along the wide waterfront avenues where fabulous mosques and old garden-surrounded palaces line one side of the blue waters of the Bosporus and the Sea of Marmara, providing a setting for the bleak sand-colored hills of the Asiatic shore.

For history buffs the most exciting trip is to join the hordes crossing on foot or wheeled transport the famed old Galata Bridge or the modern Ataturk Bridge across the Golden Horn. Along this storied waterway stand princely homes and palaces built in the days when the Ottoman Empire was at its greatest glory. Now modern hilltop coffee shops overlook the scene.

Most splendid of the many mosques in the city are the Sultan Ahmet or Blue Mosque, so called for its inner and outer tiled walls, the mosque of Suleiman the Magnificent with four graceful minarets, and St. Sophia which was a basilica from the 6th to the 15th centuries when it became a mosque with the conquest of Constantinople, now Istanbul, by the Turks.

There are dozens of former palaces and museums to visit, but this travel reporter feels no one should miss the Topkapi with its formal gardens, its numerous colorfully tiled rooms, its harem quarters and its beautifully ornamented baths. In the museum section are shown the finest pieces of ornamental jewelry, decorated weapons and western porcelain to be seen anywhere in the world.

No trip to Istanbul is complete without a visit to the Grand Bazaar, granddaddy of all modern covered shopping malls. For over 500 years merchants have haggled here with tens of thousands of customers daily. It is a city in itself, a labyrinth of 5,000 shops, combed with almost a hundred streets and dimly-lit alleyways.

The bazaar has many entrances outside some of which you can buy the rose-flavored Turkish delight, the only place in Turkey where I found this well known confection. Best buys for visitors are turned-up Turkish slippers, silver and gold filigree jewelry, silks, brassware and suede clothing. Part of the atmosphere in the bazaar is the bargaining.

There are any number of museums, ranging from archeology to mosaics, from Turkish military and naval history to one devoted to 20th century statesman Kemal Ataturk, who was the first president of the present republic.

If time permits take a boat trip to the Princess Islands, a small chain of islets in the Sea of Marmara where time has remained as it was in 1900. On these hilly resort islands you can travel on foot or by horse-drawn surrey, with all the smells of the horse transportation era. No cars allowed.

Excursion steamers ply up and down the 20-mile long Bosporus from Istanbul's docks. Ships from many nations pass by, including those of the Soviet Union bound to or from the Black Sea. On the European side there are beach resorts, on the Asiatic side a few palaces and forts. At one of these forts, Rumeli Hisari, traditional Turkish sword dances are staged by soldiers in old costumes and folk dances are performed by young men and women.

(There are a number of synagogues and Jewish institutions in Istanbul, some of which are hard to find as they are part of big blocks of similarly-colored old buildings, as I learned when looking for them in the older part of the city. One of these was the scene of a bombing last year and was recently reopened.)

Deli offers delicious stop during your visit to Ottawa

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

OTTAWA —
Visitors to Ottawa and its Parliament Buildings are discovering a new attraction: United Kosher Deli. A butcher shop under the supervision of the Ottawa Vaad Hair, it boasts prepared food, a wide selection of kosher groceries and parve baked goods.

Owners Joseph and Jean Lichtenstein have operated a kosher butcher shop in Ottawa for the past 32 years, the last 15 of them at their present location at 378 Richmond Rd. They are supported by "most of the roughly one-third of the Jewish community that keeps kosher," said Lichtenstein.

The Lichtensteins serve barbequed chicken and Montreal smoked meat, chopped liver and other deli sandwiches. They will also prepare on request meatballs, cabbage rolls, spareribs, tzimmis or just about any other entree, although not vegetable or potato dishes.

The sandwiches, chicken and cold drinks can be eaten at small tables in the store, which is a real treat when travelling with children.

The store's line of kosher groceries is as extensive as one would find in Toronto, including frozen and packaged foods, Beech Nut baby food and Buenas No Cheez nacho-flavored corn chips. Lichtenstein told The CJN that the deli tries to stock whatever is available, as well as filling requests from customers.

United Kosher Deli is primarily a butcher shop, and the Lichtensteins take pride in the "cleanliness, display and quality" of their meat. "After kashering, we age steaks for three weeks and roasts for from two to three weeks, to bring out their full flavor," he told The Canadian Jewish News.

Joseph Lichtenstein's specialty is his own creation, which he calls "beef n' greens," paper thin slices of beef used for Chinese cooking. "The cut is my own secret," he insists with a smile.

The Lichtensteins proved most hospitable to this hot, tired and hungry Toronto family that appeared recently on their doorstep. "We are always happy to welcome visitors," said Lichtenstein.

Kosher travellers carting endless cans of tuna fish can relax if they misplace their can openers in the Ottawa area.

Pact creates national park in the Bruce Peninsula

TORONTO —
An agreement establishing a new national park — encompassing Canada's first national marine park — on the Bruce Peninsula was recently signed by the federal and provincial governments.

Under the agreement, Ontario will provide 7,000 hectares of land about 300 kilometres northwest of here and capital investments valued at $8.5 million to the national parks system.

Environment Canada, Parks is expected to commit up to $14 million to the new park over the next 10 years, a release from Environment Canada says.

Federal Environment Minister Tom McMillan said the new park has the potential to become "as world-famous as our national parks at Banff, Jasper and Prince Edward Island."

The 270-square kilometre national park will incorporate two existing provincial parks — Cyprus Lake and Fathom Five, the latter an underwater park. Flowerpot Island, currently part of the Georgian Bay Islands National Park, will also be included.

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Great 3 bdrm. + den, sunken liv. rm., open concept kitch., separate bsmnt entrance! $212,000. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

BATHURST-STEELES — VALUE APLENTY!
All brick, 3 bdrm., lg. fam. rm. with firepl., huge kitch., many upgrades, ceramics, dble. gar. $199,900. Bev Ross, 731-7111.

BATHURST-STEELES — REAL NITTY!
Beautifully appointed 3 bdrm. 3 bath, cozy mn. fl. fm. rm. with brick firepl. Near all amenities. $199,000. Paula Bernstein 731-7111.

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Three 3 bdrm. homes, all super buys on quiet cres. From $194,900 to $199,900. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

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4 bdrm., 2 storey, mn. flr. fam. rm., firepl., new kitch., pool-sized lot! Extras. $274,900. Ruth Zbarsky, 731-7111.

DON MILLS-STEELES — HERE'S A GEM!
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$599,900. Fraserwood Ave, original owner, well maintained, good income, appliances. Ron Goldkind 736-1100.

CUSTOM HOME ON SPRING GATE BLVD! $499,900
1st ad! Bathurst-Clark 3,600 sq. ft. + finished bsmt, enormous family rm, every conceivable extra! Al Sidofsky 736-1100.

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BAYVIEW-16TH "LOWER VILLAGE" $439,000
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YONGE-FINCH — "DYNASTY"
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BAYVIEW-STEELES BEAUTY
3 bdrm., 2 bths., sauna, fin. bsmnt., huge kitch., move-in condition. Must sell! Shelly Halpern/Judit Engel, 226-9770.

CLARK-BATHURST
2 storey, huge all white kitch., fam. rm., firepl., fin. bsmnt., Joe Salomon, 226-9770.

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3 bdrm., 3 bths., fin. bsmnt, firepl., C-A, 5 appls., 2,160 sq. ft. of living space. Judit Engel/Shelly Halpern, 226-9770.

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BATHURST-STEELES SOUTHWEST
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BATHURST-STEELES
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5 Condominiums For Sale

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- **Bayview/#7.** 2 bd., 2 bths. April '88 poss. Vera Vadas, 731-7111.
- **Place Nouveau.** Yonge/Finch, 2 bd., 2 bths. Vera Vadas, 731-7111.

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BATHURST-PROMENADE - 1,362 sq. ft., 2 bd., 2 bths., $1,250. Bella Beer, Ungerman Rlty. 731-7111.

Bathurst/Clark Promenade - Luxury 2 bedroom, solarium, 5 new appliances, parking, locker. $1,300. 669-4447 evenings.

Bath-Steeles - 2 bd. $1,250
Bath-Clark-Conservatory, 2 bd., 1,600 sq. ft. $1,750.
Yonge-Shepp. Madison Centre, Lg. 2 bd. $1,550.
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"Classic" Building. This luxury penthouse with 2 bdrms. + library is offered for sale or rent; exceptional in every sense, in luxury & security, in comfort & sophistication. Opulent features include skylights, o.b.f.p., jacuzzi, sauna, high ceilings + roof garden overlooking the city, 2 parking + bsmt. locker. Priced right; don't wait till it's gone. For details please call Mr. Santee Leung, the Skymark Specialist, 441-2003, 24 hrs. on call + pager, any day.

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9 Accommodations Available

Roommate needed in Ottawa. Downtown apartment. Call Barb (Toronto) 221-7442.

Yonge/College - Kosher female, non-smoker to share 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom condo. $350.00/month. Available Sept. 1. Jennifer 225-9474.

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14 Cottages For Sale

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17 Florida Property For Rent

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18 Florida Properties For Sale

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19 Florida Property For Rent/Sale

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20 Florida Accommodation Wanted

Wanted - Boca- Century Village - 1½ bedroom condo, fully equipped, all conveniences. 3 months. 665-0557.

21 Israel Properties

Apartment - Haifa, Israel, Sept. 1 - Nov. 15, Fridge, stove, sleeping accommodation for 3. $300 per month. Days 474-0462, Evenings 636-0736 Miriam.

22 Out Of Town Properties

3 1-Acre Bld. Lots
Located 1 mi. e. of Stouffeville. Treed rolling ravine settings. $10,000 down. Bal. at 10%. Call Don Stevens, 477-2223, 640-5429.

23 Office Space

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24 Properties Wanted

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25 Vacation Properties

***LAKE SIMCOE WEST SIDE**
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18 Florida Property For Sale

28 Announcements

"Information is requested from persons from Radom or Budzin, or others, who have knowledge of the activities of David Eiger in Vaihingen Camp, Germany. Kindly send your name, address, and phone to Box 8536, CJN 10 Gateway Blvd., Ste. 420, Don Mills, Ont. M3C 3A1."

Where should I volunteer? Let Jewish Information Service help you connect: 635-5600.

29 Social Announcements

Yashinksy - Zavitz Dan & Carol are overjoyed to announce the birth of their son Nathaniel on August 5, 1987. Thnaks to Michelle Swenarchuck & Dr. Carolyn Bennett who gave loving & able support, and to the fine staff of Women's College Hospital. Nathaniel's proud grandparents are, Jack Yashinsky & Palomba Paves-Yashinsky, Jim Zavitz & Shirley Zavits, great grandparents are, Florence & Arthur McCorquodale.

Mr. & Mrs. Joe Rosenberg of Toronto & Mrs. Bertha Matalon of Columbus, Ohio are please to announce the engagement of their children Etty & Danny. A November wedding is planned.

34 Employment Opportunities

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House Manager, part-time required for Elm Ridge Group Living Residence for the Elderly, a project of Kehilla Residential Programme. Responsibilities include programming day operations of a group home for 14 residence. Experience in programming for the elderly & working with volunteers required. A car is necessary. Yiddish an asset. For information Fay Geitzhals, 638-7800 ext. 287.

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39 Domestic Help Wanted

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39 Domestic Help Available

Jewish middle aged female, non-smoker to be live-in full-time companion for elderly woman. Free Rent. References. Call Gloria 783-6475 leave message.

Yiddish/English speaking companion wanted for elderly lady in hospital, Finch/Jane area. Several hrs. daily. Call evenings 221-4320.

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Loving responsible person to care for 2½ yr. old, 2 afternoons per week, in our home. Don Mills/Steeles. 731-8617.

40 Personals

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41 Business Personals

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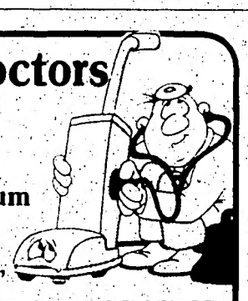
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Business Outlook

Ruby Fruitman shows how its done

Year-old Toronto PR firm shows rapid growth

By
VIVIEN SHARON

TORONTO —

Ruby Fruitman Communications Group, a Toronto-based public relations company founded just over one year ago, is quickly making its mark in the field of fashion, business, and shopping mall promotion.

A proud Ruby Fruitman, 45, president and company founder, told The Canadian Jewish News that in one short year her business has expanded from a single client, Bernard Cowan Co. Ltd., a Canadian designer and manufacturer of sophisticated women's sportswear, to 12 major accounts.

Sitting in her office at 3710 Chesswood Drive in Downsview, Fruitman described her company's rapid growth.

"Just over one year ago I started in a small office with a desk, a computer and a plant. I had no assistant, so I did all the office and public relations work by myself," said Fruitman, mother of three grown children. "I was fortunate enough that my first client's retainer covered all expenses during my first month."

Since then, Fruitman's office space has expanded to a reception area, a large and tastefully decorated office for herself, and one for her assistant, Lissie Strauss, 24.

Yet for Fruitman, her achievement is the outcome of a career with many facets.

Born in Toronto, she obtained a BA degree in Radio and TV Arts from Ryerson, and upon graduation, joined the Toronto Board of Education as a writer and producer of educational films for Channel 19, now known as TVOntario. Writing copy part-time for radio station CHIN gave way to teaching adult education courses at George Brown and Seneca Colleges.

Ruby Fruitman

Fruitman joined the public relations firm of Budman Math Inc. in 1981 and rose rapidly to the position of senior account executive, with sole responsibility for a large portion of the firm's major accounts.

She enjoys the independence that her own business allows, especially the hours which she is able to dictate. "There is something degrading about having to ask permission to take time off," said Fruitman, who works longer hours now than she did as an employee. She concedes, however, that giving up a steady salary was hard.

"I find my independence far more gratifying," said Fruitman, who often works seven days a week before a promotional campaign.

Yet the rewards, she says, are great.

A major coup last year was Fruitman's firm being selected to handle all public relations for The Festival of Canadian Fashion, which showcases and promotes Canadian designers, manufacturers and retailers both within the trade and to the public. She was chosen over a dozen major contenders, most of whom were larger and more established. "I made a proposal," Fruitman said modestly, "and I guess mine was one of the better ones." Her contract was renewed for next year.

Landing that account was very important for her credibility, she admits. "It was both exhilarating and exhausting," reflected Fruitman of the countless hours she spent coordinating fashion shoots, compiling press kits, and dealing with writers, designers and the international media.

"The Festival is a public relations dream," added Fruitman, who put in 13-hour days during the event from a room at L'Hotel for the 5-day duration. She was so exhausted afterwards that Fruitman and her husband, Mel, a director of the Retail Council of Canada, stole away to Europe for several weeks to recover.

Her roster of clients includes One-Of-A-Kind Canadian Craft Show; The ManuLife Centre; Stephan Caras Design Inc., a designer of elegant evening and daywear; Park Avenue Restaurant; Starmakers 87, a fund raising event for Variety Village, and the Pastel Society of Canada.

Although she welcomes expansion, she says she doesn't want the firm to grow too large too fast. "I like to be personally responsible and available to my clients," she added. "Everything has to be top-notch — especially when my name is on the letterhead."

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Agency's loans help create jobs

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Some 5,700 small and medium-sized businesses benefitting from Federal Business Development Bank authorized loans and guarantees are expected to create 10,000 jobs, the bank's president has announced in the annual report.

As of the end of the bank's fiscal year on March 31, the FBDB had realized a good year "due in large part to the favorable economic climate," Guy Lavigueur said.

Gross National Product, he said, had shown real growth of 3.1% in 1986, and interest rates had dropped to their lowest level since 1978.

The FBDB, he continued, "had made every effort to limit its operating costs without compromising the quality of services it offers the business community."

Over the past year, the bank participated in financing projects worth $1.4 billion. Of this, loans and guarantees accounted for $927.9 million. The remaining $450 million came from other sources.

The bank also increased its venture capital financing activities, with volume of its investments growing by 62% from $12.5 million in 1986 to $20.2 million in 1987.

"For every dollar the FBDB invested in its clients' projects, private sector sources injected more than four additional dollars," the president said.

"Almost 60% of the clients who benefited from these investments were businesses in early stages of development."

Because the bank accepted more than 3,200 prepayments on its loans, Lavigueur said, many of its clients "were able to gain access to private sector sources of financing earlier than they had planned."

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Business Outlook

City Centre includes shopping arcade, offices

Edward Reichmann building Jerusalem project

By
GIL KEZWER

JERUSALEM —
Edward Reichmann, one of the brothers behind Olympia and York Developments, is erecting a shopping arcade and office building in the city core.

The development, called the City Centre, will contain 4,000 square metres of commercial and office space over five floors. The King George V St. site, which adjoins downtown Jerusalem's network of pedestrian-only shopping streets, is considered to be the prime undeveloped land in the downtown city core. Its development is part of the ongoing revitalization and gentrification of the once dormant commercial district.

The vacant site had been slated for the main branch of the Israel Discount Bank in the nation's capital but this was put in abeyance following the 1983 collapse of the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange.

Reichmann, who picked up the 800 square metre plot for $2 million (U.S.), declined to say how much he will invest in the project.

Using plans and a building permit already approved for the bank, Reichmann began construction this month.

Though strictly a private venture, the City Centre, like Olympia and York projects in Manhattan, Toronto and elsewhere, is based on the premise that, in the long run, downtowns will prevail over suburban malls.

Reichmann is wagering that tourists will continue to be attracted to downtown Jerusalem's Triangle and not to the North American-style enclosed shopping mall which fellow Canadian developer David Azrieli now is building 10 km. away, near the suburbs of Katamon Tet and Kiryat haYovel.

Reichmann recently completed The Mill, an upscale commercial development focused around a restored 19th century windmill once slated for demolition in the exclusive Jerusalem neighborhood of Rehavia. The Mill is fully rented and doing well despite its $65-a-square metre price, considered high for Jerusalem rentals. Reichmann has also invested in two luxury condominium projects now under construction.

Ottawan finds niche in Israel

TEL AVIV —
An Ottawa native has found his niche in communications in Tel Aviv.

At 28, Rafi (Jeffrey) Aaron, the son of Irving and Ruth Aaron of Ottawa, is one of the youngest managers of a public relations-advertising firm in Israel. The graduate of Toronto's York University opened Class Consultants about a year ago to cater to Israeli enterprises seeking international exposure for their products, services and organizations.

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Rafi Aaron, an Ottawa native, is making his mark in Israel's advertising and communications industry.

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Gift completes Jerusalem mall

JERUSALEM (JTA) —
Jerusalem's downtown pedestrian mall, a huge success since its first section opened in 1982, will be completed this year thanks to a half-million-dollar gift from the Weiler and Arnow families in the United States. The mall presently encompasses Ben Yehuda Street.

Two side streets connecting with the city's main commercial thoroughfare, Jaffa Rd., will be rebuilt in the style of the mall, lined with potted plants, benches, ornate streetlights and outdoor cafes. The new area will be named for Jack Weiler, a New York philanthropist, in honor of his 60th wedding anniversary.

The mall was the idea of Michael Turner, a city architect. It was opposed at the outset by local shopkeepers who feared that closing a downtown area to traffic would hurt their businesses. They have since changed their minds as the mall attracts larger crowds than before.

Hazardous goods conference set

TORONTO —
About 3,500 executives, scientists, engineers, government officials and other professionals are expected to attend the Hazardous Materials Management Conference and Exhibition of Canada, organizers have announced.

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